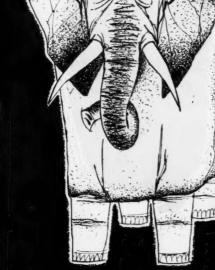
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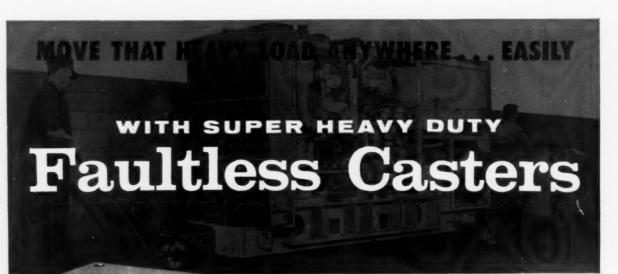


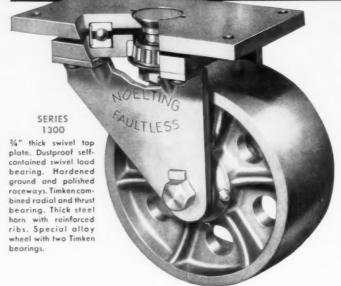
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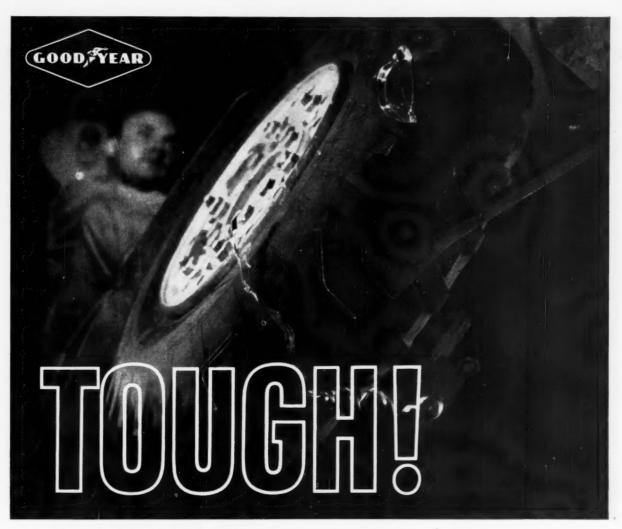


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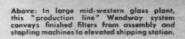
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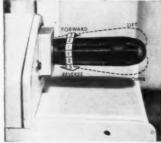




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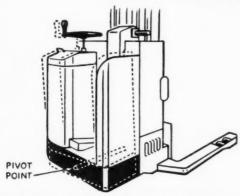


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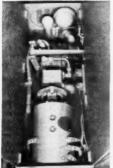


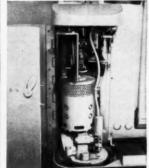
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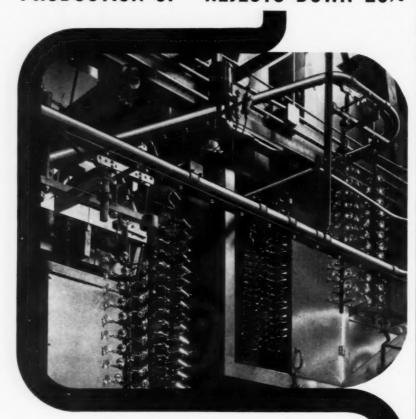


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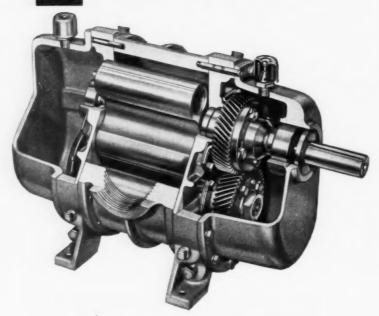
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VIEWPOINT

Use Consultants Right

SIR

Your recent article, "Exposing The Phony Consultant" describes how to recognize and select a competent consultant. This is only the first step in securing profitable assistance in solving operating problems.

Today's business operations require specialized knowledge and skill in many diverse areas. It would not be practical for most firms to continually maintain a staff of experts; hence, a consultant may be called in to apply the fruits of his experience whenever needed.

A consultant has usually had experience solving similar problems sometimes in different industries. Many materials handling techniques may be just as profitably utilized by companies whose end products are completely different. It is the objective viewpoint of an engineer who is not saddled by "how we have always done the job" that makes the consultant so valuable.

The fact that businessmen have found real value in the use of consultants is proven by the growth of the profession. The total dollar volume of fees earned by management consulting firms is well over \$200,-

The success of a project places a responsibility on the client as well as the consultant. The article in the March, 1961 MHE describes how to select a competent consultant, but it is just as important that company management recognize how it can help to insure the success of the consultant's assignment.

It is imperative that a mutual understanding be reached as to what is to be accomplished and the approach to be followed. It is then necessary that all the information required be made readily available. A reputable consultant will keep confidential all information about the operation of your business.

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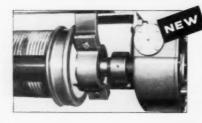
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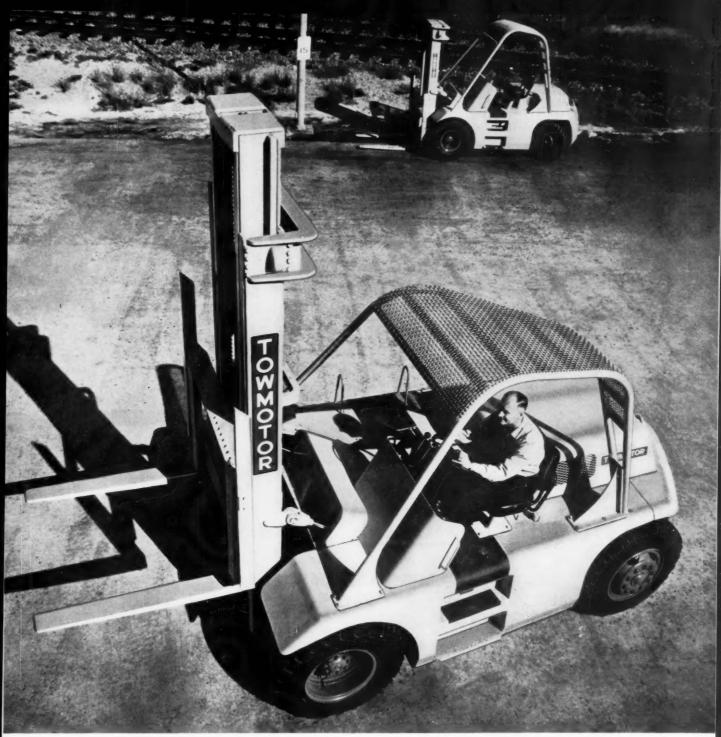
Case II - Since he is paying for a service, the client will want to get his full money's worth. Once the project is undertaken, he may impose additional requirements which complicate the work. Many of these restrictions are needless and will only delay the completion of the project.

Case III - Development of the most efficient methods of materials handling and plant layout are continually hampered when the secondary line of supervisors continually raises objections for solely "political" reasons. Information is sometimes distorted as the foremen attempt to further their ambitions or project their present status.

These situations are not always detectable when they occur, but will result in a job that appears poorly done and/or too expensive. Full cooperation is the responsibility of both consultant and client. Even the most carefully engineered system will fail unless it is given a fair opportunity to work properly and management wants it to succeed.

I would like to take issue with the emphasis you place on being a "registered engineer." New York State, which is one of the first states to license engineers, has no qualifications for an "industrial engineer" per se. Originally set up for civil engineers, the procedure has been expanded to include mechanical and electrical engineers as well. To be a competent material handling engineer requires experience and proficiency in skills not necessary in the practice of other branches of engineering; obtaining a certificate of registery requires mastery of techniques that may be only indirectly helpful. So that being a registered engineer is definitely a plus factor, but it should not be considered a requirement of a materials handling engineer.

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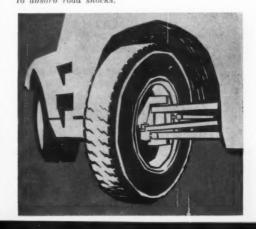


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Eight feet of space lets the 922 come through with fast clean-up work. Notice the operator sits high and clear, has excellent visibility all around. Lift arms and the load are well in front of him. He's safe and confident and so are others working around him.



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ALLIS-CHALMERS presented a Power Parade of construction machinery to dealers from 182 cities in the United States and Canada. Held in Springfield, Ill., the king-sized show included more than 50 units, from 6,000 to 95,000



lb. Some 1,000 watched tractor shovels, tractor loaders, crawler tractors, graders, and scrapers pass in review. Largest piece was this experimental dual engine motor scraper (photo), powered by two 340 h.p. diesel engines. It can move 40 cu. yd. heaped, at one time. This allhydraulic unit weighs 95,000 lb., can travel at 30 m.p.h. Among new models presented were a tractor shovel designed for steel mill slag removal and a tractor loader with 25,000-lb. lifting capacity.

New measurement for handling efficiency

A NEW TOOL was added to the material handling man's kit by the Yale Materials Handling Division of the Yale & Towne Manufacturing Co. in Philadelphia last month.

At a press conference for business publication editors, the company introduced its recently published "Management Guide to Productivity." The book was prepared by Yale & Towne in cooperation with Professor James R. Bright of the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration. Its purpose is to aid management in exposing unwarranted handling expense. It also provides a systematic method for MH men to present handling efficiency data to management.

The productivity guide is based on seven basic efficiency cost ratios:

Material Handling Labor Ratio: measures the proportion of a company's labor force that has been assigned to MH activities.

Direct Labor Handling Loss Ratio: gives a general indication of the direct labor cost by production workers performing handling functions.

Movement/Operation Ratio: examines the efficiency of handling moves in relation to production operations.

Manufacturing Cycle Efficiency: checks the efficiency at which the plant operates as a system for putting material through processes.

Enclosed Space Utilization Efficiency: measures how effectively the enclosed space is used.

Equipment Utilization Ratio: shows the extent to which production equipment is being used to its full potential.

Aisle Space Potential: points out opportunities for acquiring additional production space.

You can get a copy of "Management Guide to Productivity" by circling No. 434 on the Reader Service Card in this issue. Be sure to see the next issue of MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING for an editorial evaluation of the Yale & Towne efficiency measurement system.

Cargo Cage Committee meets

Members of the Caster and Floor Truck Manufacturers Association and the National Wooden Box Manufacturers Association met in a joint session with representatives of the Regular Common Carrier Conference last month. Reason for the meeting: a progress report on development of a cargo cage for handling LTL shipments. As reported by Chairman Vic Palisano, the Cargo Cage Committee has outlined various needs which should be incorporated in the design:

- Two sizes: 44 x 45 and 44 x 60 (or 44 x 54).
- · Should have removable sides.
- Must have hold-down device.
- · Needs low clearance from floor.
- Must have 4000 pound capacity (including safety factor).

Next meeting of the Cargo Cage Committee is scheduled for June 5 in Chicago.

Anti-smog article cites Oxycat

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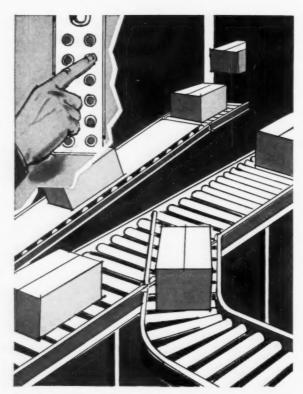


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exhaust and smoke purifiers. Authors Myron Stearns and Max Gunther warn of insidious air pollution that may cause lung cancer, lead directly to death. A workable solution, they contend, is universal use of air purifiers such as those made by the Oxy-Catalyst Co. They say these can go on auto exhaust systems, much the same as on fork trucks. The article goes into the history of the company and its founder, Eugene J. Houdry.

Offers profit sharing plan

The Material Handling Equipment Distributors Association offers to help members set up a profit sharing plan for employees. The plan is being discussed this month at the MHEDA Convention in Denver. MHEDA will develop a proposal for each interested company, aided by the National Securities & Research Corp. Find out more by writing William R. Noble, 1028 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington 6, D.C.

The National Training Center. This month's course at the MHEDA National Training Center will start June 19. Topic: Paper Industry Distribution Material Handling. Next course will start July 10, on Department Store Material Handling. Get full details from Director Harry Freeman, 61 Narragansett Ave., Newport, Rhode Island.

Five-year equipment guarantee

NUTTING TRUCK AND CASTER Co. provides a 5-year written guarantee on its material handling equipment. The customer will get a card with a detachable post card to register his guarantee. The firm says it will replace without charge any items found defective in workmanship or materials which fail in normal service—for five years after delivery.

The man and his machine

Design machinery with men in mind. If you wait until the production stage, it's too late. This was the advice of Viscount Hailsham, minister for Science, at a London conference of Ergonomics in Industry. Ergonomics is the study of man in relation to his working environment. Lord Hailsham said it's often the worker who is the limiting factor with new machinery. The worker may find complex tasks, speed of work, or unremiting vigilance impose too great a strain or lead to costly error. Therefore, he advised, consider the man and machine together and design a unit to match the limits of both.

Project Upgrade takes over the speaker's platform and MH men hear advice on managing material flow.

PREPARE FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE

We all want better jobs, higher pay, more prestige, better working conditions. To get them, material handling men may have left the field. This no longer is necessary, because material handling is getting more and more recognition. You can upgrade yourself in the field, maybe advance to the top industrial rung. (See page 62 in this issue.)

That's the idea behind our Project Upgrade articles, recognizing the coming of a new position in material handling. We call it "Manager of Material Flow." He's in charge of material all the way, from receiving through distribution.

That's also the idea behind a Project Upgrade Seminar we held April 28 in Cleveland. We invited Northern Ohio material handling men we felt were interested in better jobs.

The seminar opened with a welcome from Edwin M. Joseph, executive vice president, The Industrial Publishing Corp. Moderator was Editor Bernard I. Knill, Material Handling Engineering. Here are the topics and speakers:

Economics and Theory of Controlling Material Flow



E. RALPH SIMS JR.

consulting management
engineer
and
MHE consulting editor

HE SAID THE APPLICATION of strict inventory management and sound scheduling frequently eliminates much material from the pipe line. Higher flow and lower volume make for lower handling costs, reduced dollar lockup. To increase effectiveness of control, Sims suggested use of highspeed communications, computers, data processing, rapid transportation, and good material handling equipment.

"The total effect of advanced techniques is to shorten the lead time between stages of the system, thus reducing the amount of material in being, in transit, and in plant," said Sims. "This higher velocity movement develops a lower total investment, faster reaction time, better customer service, and a more useful production schedule."

The Management Viewpoint on Control of Material Flow



CLIFF D. HEATON

manager, manufacturing services

Electric Appliance Division

Westinghouse Electric Corp.

HE DISCUSSED the buying of equipment, followed with the planning and control of facilities expenditures. Then he told of outstanding material handling and management control at his Columbus plant.

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DISCUSSING the
first speech during
a coffee break are
(I to r) Hank
Jalowiec and Nick
Defazio, both of
Timms Spring Co.;
John C. Radebaugh,
General Industries
Co., and Glessner
Collins, also of
Timms.





TWO ASSOCIATION presidents meet during the break. They're Al Masters (left), Ohio Rubber Co., president of Cleveland Chapter, American Material Handling Society, and Ed Patrick, Baker Industrial Trucks, president of NE Ohio Chapter, Society of Packaging and Handling Engineers.

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defined manual control system to telecontrol. In the first year, they saved nearly the whole cost of the installation, he said.

2—Automatic fabrication assembly increased the 8-hour shift capacity from 600 shells to 1,100.

3—Reducing major assembly lines from three to two, increasing their length 30 ft. each, plus other adjustments, resulted in 50 percent more productivity.

4—Automating the cartoning produced direct labor savings of 17 cents a unit.

5—A separate supply depot gave them more than 600,000 sq. ft. of floor space, about four times as much storage as before the depot was built. It's a distribution center now for all Westinghouse appliances.



MAKING A POINT
during lunch is
Eugene Satmary
(right), Campus
Sweater and Sportswear. He's flanked
by Cameron Bonds,
Preformed Line
Products Co.



Advanced Theoretical Techniques to Control Material Flow



DR. MELVIN SALVESON

president

Alwac Computer Division
El-tronics Inc.

As an example of what you can do with operations research, probability, and statistics, he solved a problem of how many workers you need in a stockroom. He used the same techniques to determine how many fork trucks you need, conveyor capacity, the amount of inventory held, and warehouse layout.

The next question was how to develop the best flow of material for a whole system, from raw material to delivery of the finished product to the consumer. This is complicated, Dr. Salveson explained, because the best solution for your assembly line may be the worst for your warehouse or your retailer.

With so many variables, you probably can't work out an exact answer by formula. So you attack the question by simulation—set it up to get all the answers possible with every combination of values for the variables—and you can have a computer give you all the answers, from which you choose the best.

Controlling Material Flow With Automatic Devices



JAMES R. KARL control specialist General Electric Co.

HE EMPHASIZED electrical control and control systems for material flow. Karl spoke of five basic control functions:

IDENTIFY—Manual (dials, key punches, pushbuttons) and automatic (limit switches, photoelectric cells, magnetic switches, scales, and load cells).

DISPATCH—Item memory in which item identity stays with it throughout system travel. Control memory in which item identity transfers to a system which follows it throughout its travel (magnetic disc and tape, pinwheel timer, and shift register).

STORE-By tape or at random.

RECALL—Divided into manual, manual-mechanical, mechanized, and automatic (random recall, sortation, simultaneous, sequential, and synchronized).

DELIVERY—Similar to dispatch but separate, differs in detail. ♦

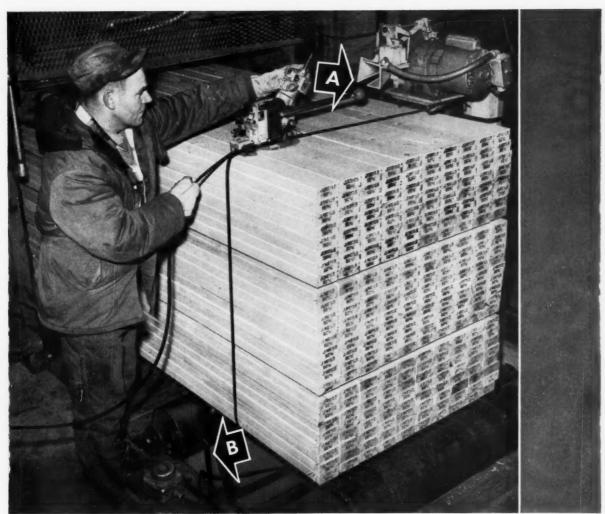


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Part-time job?

Straps 85,000 bd. ft. of studs (average) per shift!

At this largest stud mill in the Northwest, power rollers move the load from the automatic stacker to position for the first strap, then to position for the second strap, then out of the strapping station. Total time for the strapping operation (two straps)—about 2 minutes. The operator moves the load to storage or car, and has time for other duties as well!

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HAVE YOU been receiving those periodic announcements beginning "National Material Handling Center invites you to attend a course on ..."? If so, you may have wondered, as we did, what the courses are like. To answer to some of your questions we attended the MHEDA course "Distribution Warehouse Material Handling." It lasted a week, set a fast pace for the sharp minds of the students. They were all management level men with titles such as "Vice President, Manufacturing," "Manager of Material Distribution," "General Services Manager," "Warehouse Superintendant." Subjects they studied included strategic planning of new warehouses, layout, MH in warehouses, automated systems, uses of electronic controls, economics of warehouse operation.

NATIONAL AUTHORITIES gave lectures. In addition to those pictured, they were: Bernard Shereff, Dasol Corp.; William Willitts, Western Electric Co.; Herbert Weyrauch, Flo-Tronics, Inc.



LECTURES, FILMS, FIELD TRIPS are solid underpinning of the course. After Lecturer George Stryker explained order-picking course participants saw computer-controlled picking in action at Newport naval base warehouses.

SEMINARS fill in lecture and film instruction. These are informal, and lecturers get into lively discussions of hot MH problems with students. Here Nelson Greller handles an economic point, will toss the ball to Bob Brady (right) when a tough equipment question comes up.





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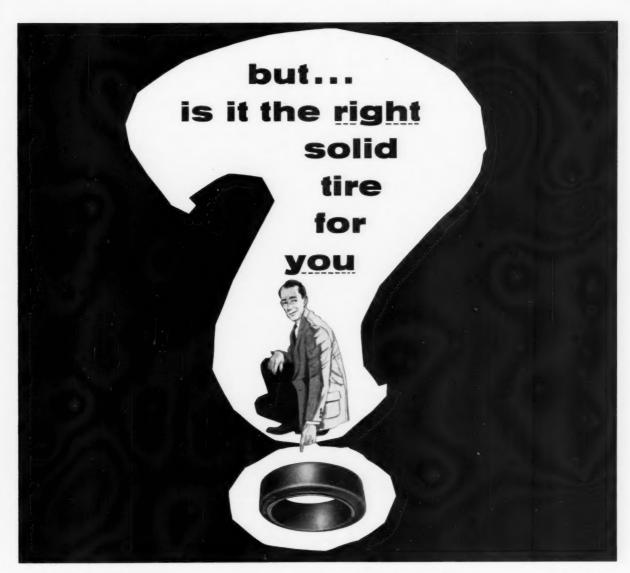
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HOWARD C. BLAKE



at coffee breaks adds to benefits. After student Robert N. Lakamp, General Services Manager of J. C. Penney stores, got the views of Director Harry Freeman (right) on a warehousing idea, he drew other students, the lecturer into the discussion.



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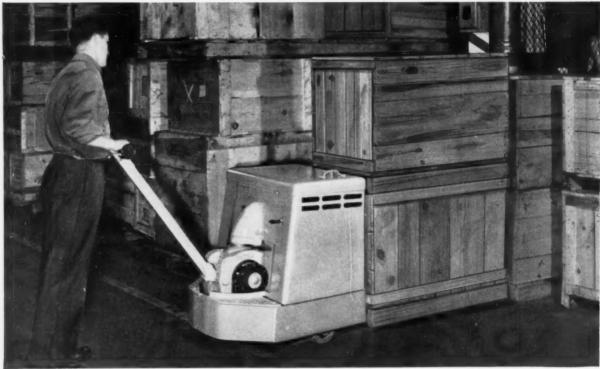
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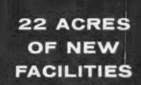
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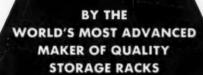
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Under the old system, they stationed two men at the end of the line. Each pulled sacks of one sort of feed and shot them down separate chutes. The sacks full of the third sort of feed went down another chute at the end of the belt. On the floor below, two men at the bottom of each chute loaded the bags onto pallets.

Now no diverting is needed at all on the second floor. All bags move in single file random order down the same spiral chute. This saves 16-man hours a shift.

From the bottom of the chute, a belt conveyor carries the bags across the center of the turntable and unloads them onto the sloping side. The constantly rotating turntable brings the bags around in front of three men at pallet loading stations. Each selects his own type of feed. His pallet is supported by half of a smaller, floorlevel turntable. After he loads each pallet, he rotates his turntable around, making another empty pallet available for loading. As the sorting and loading continues, a fork truck operator removes the loaded pallets and puts empties in their place.

Production remains the same with both systems. But the old method required eight men (two diverters and six loaders). The new system needs only four men, including an alternate. This saves the mill 32 manhours a shift. This comes to \$72 per 8-hour day. At this rate, the turntable system pays for itself in less than a year.—Standard Conveyor Co.

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Lift Truck Cuts Labor Costs \$2 a Square Foot

A 15,000-lb.-capacity fork lift truck with an A-frame attachment enables Gibraltor Structures, Inc., Somerville, N.J. to erect a 30,000-sq.-ft. warehouse in 30 working days with only 6 men. That's 1,000 sq. ft. a day. The company says it is saving \$2 a sq. ft. in labor costs.

The fork truck replaces a crane, which required an operator and a 2-man crew. The truck does all these things:

- Handles forms for concrete floors
- Sets 20-ft.-long by 14%-ft.-high wall forms
- Positions steel forms for doorways
- Lifts roof sheathing to top of walls
- Handles I-beams
- Lifts and positions cross braces
- · Hauls concrete.



The A-frame attachment used for handling forms extends the lift height of the truck to 33 ft. and the truck can lift over walls when necessary. A pin on the attachment engages long beams or girders so the crew can pivot them into position. Using the attachment this way reduces the time for fin-

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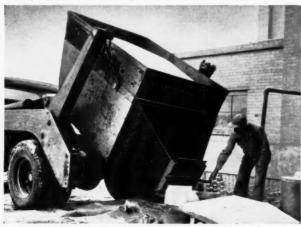
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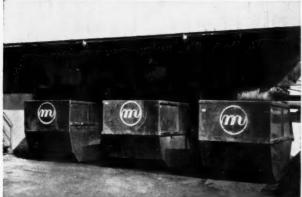
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Special Trucks & Trays Speed Goods Handling

Bergman Knitting Mills, Philadelphia, makes sweaters and other knitted goods. They recently devised a box truck to move goods through various operations. They also bought custom-made vulcanized fibre travs to ease the handling of goods at the machines.

The result: much faster handling of goods. Over 300 of the high bundle trucks now speed operations. They move goods to and from cutting, sewing, trimming,



first examination, pressing, final examinations, folding, packing, and shipping. Now one-third fewer trucks handle production than when they used standard floor trucks. This has reduced aisle congestion.

The trucks have three high sides, and one 12-inch drop side. Bundles are packed nearly twice as high as before, and can still be trucked easily. Additional benefits: the trucks are light, durable, nonsnagging, and easy to clean.

Normally companies buy receiving trays in a size that fits between the machine supports. But Bergman found that some goods were too wide for the trays, didn't fit in

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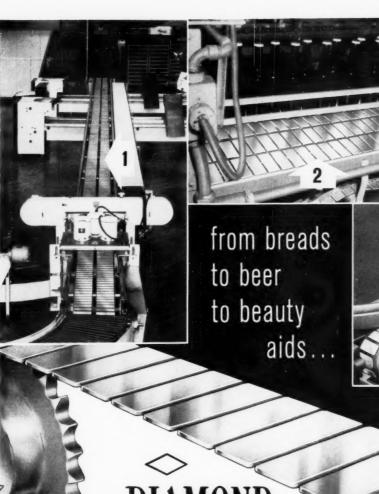
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Hoppers Speed Scrap Disposal

Baltimore Plant of Crown Cork & Seal Co., Inc. handles 1.5 million lb. of tinplate, aluminum, and miscellaneous scrap a month. The company makes bottle caps, and



the scrap reflects its huge volume.

They collect scrap in 1 cu. yd. capacity hoppers, haul them to a gondola car with fork trucks. They quickly dump the hoppers by tripping a lock-handle. After dumping, the hopper automatically rights itself and locks in an upright position.

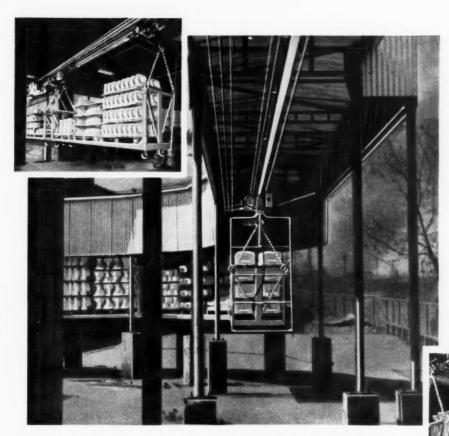
The company uses 40 hoppers. Formerly they had two cranes and their crews. Crown Cork says it saves 100 man-hours a week with this new system.-Roura Iron Works, Inc.

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Marker Eliminates Production Slow-down

Carton marking now keeps pace with the packaging machinery at the Brooklyn, N.Y. Mobile Oil Co. Refinery. The company used to

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UPPER LEFT . . . Loaded train moves through doors that have automatically opened, and commences trip over 1400 feet of Monorail track.

Louden Monorail Interplant Transport System operates trouble free the year around. Three carriers make up train that travels completely unattended from storage area in one building to shipping area in another. Smooth operation of Monorail insures safe transportation of chinaware between plants.

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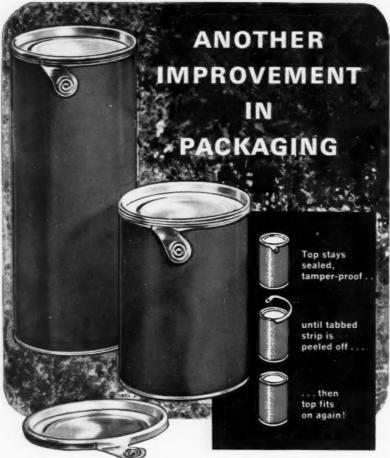
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hand stencil, but they found they had to slow the carton movement drastically on the conveyor line to allow for the operation. Then they



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The marker has a built-in inking system. It provides the exact amount of ink each time for an unblurred imprint. Friction between the moving carton and the marking head starts the marking cycle.-Industrial Marking Equipment Co., Inc.

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Bulk Grease Handling System Saves Costs

Midland Works of Crucible Steel Co. of America has devised a bulk grease handling system.



They expect it to save at least 40 percent over conventional lubricant handling methods. Main savings lie in these points:

- Simpler handling
- Less waste
- Lower prices because container costs are eliminated.

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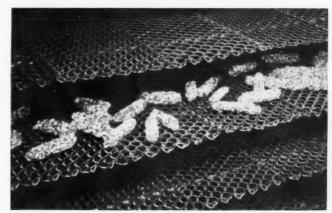
Want to increase your production?

Vita Food Products, Inc., New York City, is putting out three times as many maraschino cherries with a USS Cyclone Belt and some new processing machinery. And they've done it without adding more personnel! They've found there's no breaking or oxidation with the Cyclone Belt—even after steady use in a submersion-type pasteurizer.



Want to stop wasting time?

Curtiss Candy Company, Chicago, Illinois, cools over 1,000,000 Baby Ruth candy bars a week on USS Cyclone Conveyor Belts—while they're making them. There was a time when they had to put the candy on trays and wait for it to cool overnight. Some of the individual belts have lasted years with a minimum of maintenance.



Want to save materials and manpower?

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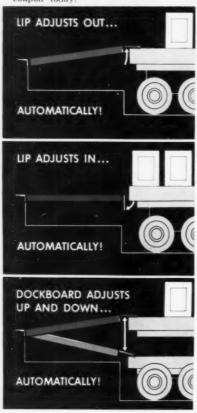
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The system uses a \$50,000 insulated bulk grease truck. It has a semitrailer body with 3 canister compartments. Each has 10,500-lb. capacity.

Crucible's bulk handling setup takes care of its 54-inch hot strip mill. It takes 20,000 lb. of grease to fill the system. They pipe the grease directly from Crucible's two receiving tanks to the central lubrication network.

At the Humble Oil & Refining Co., grease goes into the truck at 130 degrees. Heat loss: only 1 degree after an hour. A gasoline engine at the front of the trailer powers a hydraulic pump. This pump provides the power for the individual motors and pumps for each canister. They can unload a full canister in 26 minutes. Up to 3 types of grease can be shipped at a time because of the separate canisters. Bottom outlet of each canister connects to the suction of its individual pump when unloading starts.

The grease plant uses its own pumps for loading. Those on the trucks do not reverse to handle loading as well as unloading. Separate pumps for each canister avoid manifolding which might lead to contamination. They load, and unload, the canisters through the bottom outlets.

Other system advantages: cleaner and safer working conditions, reduced contamination, and savings in floor space.—Midland Works of Crucible Steel Co.

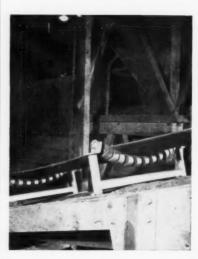
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Handling Tray Cuts Costs

A new handling tray for chocolates and other confections reduces costs, avoids contamination, and speeds production at the W. F. Schrafft & Sons Corp., Charlestown, Mass.

Schrafft likes the new high density polyethylene trays so much

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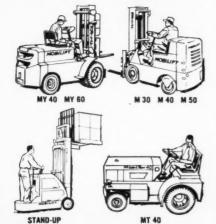
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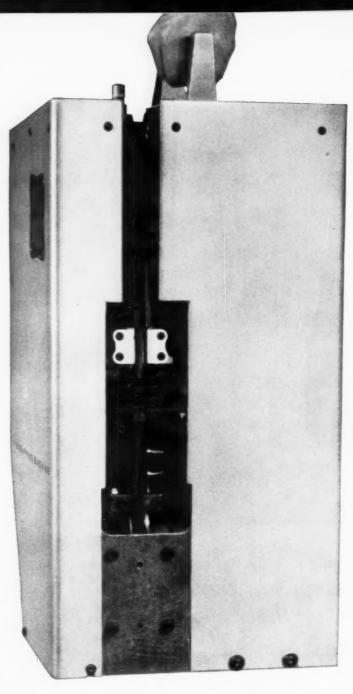
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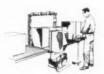


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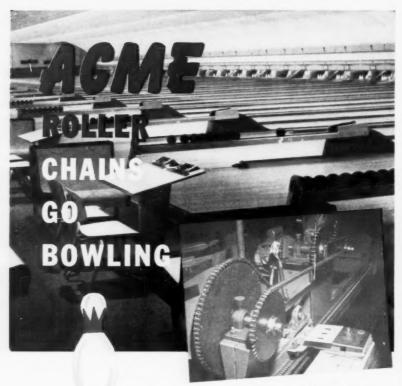
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that it has a program to replace 100,000 wood stock trays and 500,-000 conventional layer cards.

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less tiring to handle, speed production. The polyethylene is nonporous, and the smooth surface cannot absorb dust or odors. They're made so there is no place for dirt to hide, and hot water sterilization doesn't harm them.

An open-grid bottom allows free air circulation when they're stacked. Cove-molded corners prevent dirt accumulation. An identification card snaps easily into the round port molded in the end of the tray. View is of a production line at Schrafft's that has been converted to the new trays. Another feature: unlimited and positive stacking to any height without tipping.-W. R. H. Products Co.

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Unloader Cuts Man Hours 75 Percent

One man now unloads a boxcar of sand in 8 hours, and a box carload of grit in 6 hours at the Groton, Conn. Plant of General Dynamic's Electric Boat Division.

It used to take eight men from 32 to 55 hours to unload a box car

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New Tractor Shovel brings new economies to Swift & Co.

Michigan introduces Model 55B, early buyer likes its mobility, increased production capacity

5,400 lb lift capacity. Buckets from ¼ to 2 yds (1 yd standard). Turn radius, only 11'2". Torque converter, power shift, power steer . . . these perhaps are the more important specifications of the new Michigan rear-wheel-steer Model 55B. Its main benefits: excellent maneuverability plus more capacity than previously available in its price class. Sales record to date: excellent. Example: Swift & Company's Plant Food Division.

Swift, we're proud to report, in just a few months has put Model 55B's to work in company plants in Wisconsin, Iowa, Texas, Louisiana, Georgia, North and South Carolina—in most cases alongside other Michigan models! Their experience in Madison, Wisconsin, is typical...

Turns in 11'2"

Here, Swift uses their 1 yd 55B with three other Michigans. A 16 cubic foot Model 12B Michigan unloads boxcars and feeds the raw material to bin conveyors. Raw storage bins to mixer, the material moves in the bucket of a 1½ yd Model 75 Michigan. Transportation from mixed product bins to two shipping mill conveyors is the job of another Model 75 and the new Model 55B.

The 55B, with its 11'2" turn radius, has been especially productive in locations where smaller bins and narrower aisles restrict maneuvering room.

300 ft cycle: 60 loads hourly

Pictures show the 66½ hp machine feeding 6-24-24 granulated fertilizer... one cubic yard, 1890 lbs per bucket load, 60 loads per hour. Average haul, 150 feet one way. All told, the four Michigans cover an area of 36,000 square feet, help make over 100 kinds of fertilizer, 95% of it bagged.

No lost time

Conditions provide a severe test of both men and machines. The air is very Circle 17 on Reader Service Card dusty. Material is abrasive and extremely corrosive. During the two or three month rush season machines must work 20 hours a day... full tilt all the time... hitting the piles hard, reversing fast. Performance? The oldest Michigan, a Model 75 bought in February 1956, has in 12,000 working hours lost virtually no assigned work time! Efficiency has been equally good for the other three Michigans, including the year-old Model 55B. "Good, rugged units," is the way Swift's Madison plant manager summarizes it. "Our Michigans sure do a lot of work for us!"

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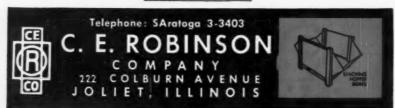




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of foundry sand to the storage bin. For unloading blast-cleaning grit, it took six men 24 to 30 hours.

The company recently installed a pneumatic sand conveyor-collector. The system includes a porta-



ble collector that unloads the foundry sand and blast-cleaning grit from boxcars to one of three bins in different plant locations.

To unload, a crane moves the collector to the boxcar. Men attach the collector to a hatch above the appropriate bin, and connect it to the unloading tool through quick-connect couplings in the conveying piping. As soon as the blower motor goes on, a vacuum develops in the conveying line, and unloading proceeds.

Main feature: before, they had to tie up a boxcar until they rounded up a crew. Now, they unload immediately, at any time of day or night. —The Allen-Sherman-Hoff Co.

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Tractor-shovel Speeds Work at Smelter Co.

North American Smelting Co., Wilmington, Delaware, smelts nonferrous metals for foundries, print-



ers, and the automotive industries. They use a 2,500-lb.-capacity tractor shovel to unload scrap, move slag byproducts, and to charge

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Stacking.

ALLIS-CHALMERS LIFT TRUCK with SIDE-SHIFTER

makes big "DOLLAR-SAVING" Difference

at West End Lumber . . .



The addition of a 6,000-lb Allis-Chalmers lift truck has saved an estimated 130 man-hours a week at West End Lumber and Material Company, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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The saving is gained in many ways in and around the yard — handling pallets, binning and stacking lumber, loading trucks...even hoisting I beams and other heavy materials on construction and maintenance jobs.

The company also noted a marked improvement in the morale of the operators since the FTP60 went to work. Its auto-like controls felt immediately familiar, even to inexperienced operators. Further, this machine is equipped with a side-shifter attachment which minimizes maneuvering the truck to realign a load.

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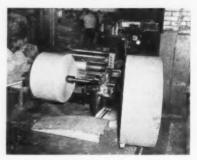
reverbatory furnaces with aluminum.

John Nicolls, plant superintendent, says the shovel saves money. It replaced two men on brass sorting, doubling the tonnage in this work. Another example: It unloads a truck of loose red brass in 20 minutes. It previously took two men six hours. Round-the-clock operation means this versatile shovel puts in 100 production hours a week on the average.—The Frank G. Hough Co.

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Extensible Paper Keeps Wrappers Whole

McCall Corp., Dayton, Ohio finds that fewer magazine wrappers break in transit when they wrap in extensible paper. It was common before for the wrappers to come off the magazines, due mainly to chafing in the sack. And



since the company puts out over 3,000,000 magazines a day, this was quite a problem.

They considered a stiffer wrap, but gave it up as too costly. Then they tried the extensible paper. This paper has an added stretch built into it in the manufacturing process. It's much tougher than regular paper.

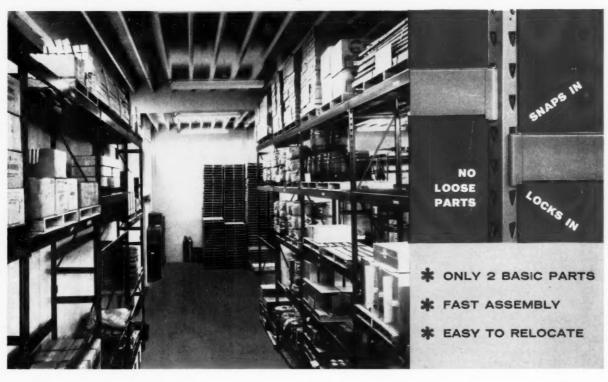
Today, they pack sharp-edged magazines in the extensible. They ship other soft wrap publications in standard kraft wrapping.

McCalls buys wrapping paper by the carload in rolls ranging from 15" to 36" wide. Base weights range from 40 to 70 lb. Wrapping

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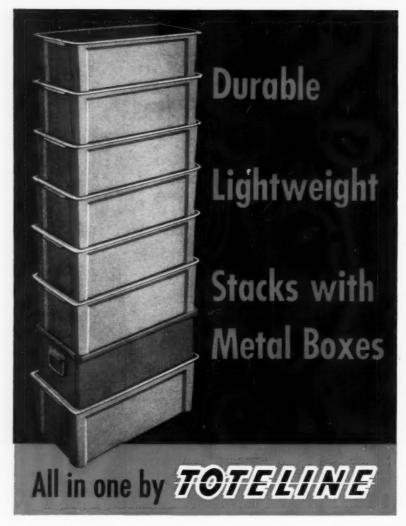
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A new weight lifter works at the Steel & Tube Division of the Timken Roller Bearing Co. It's a giant straddle truck, one of the largest ever made.

It can pick up and carry 60,000-lb. loads between its wheels. The truck weighs 17 tons, lifts a maximum size of 75" high by 60" wide. The carrier is 12' 2" high, and 9' 3" wide at its extremities.

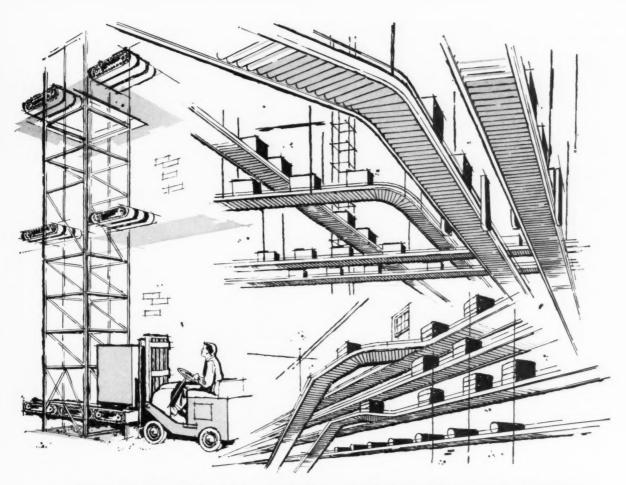
Its main use is multiple handling. It can place several loads of steel on a heavy duty bolster, pick up the bolster and carry it to its destination, making several trips in one.



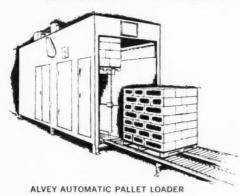
It hauls piggyback steel loads back and forth between the company's Canton and Gambrinus steel mills, a distance of 2½ miles from pick-up points. In an 8 hour shift, it makes 16 round trips.

Special equipment: eight shock absorbers in addition to the usual load springs on most straddle carriers. It has 16 tapered roller bearings, on the pinion, differential, wheels, and at the tops of the fork

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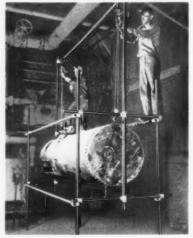
tubes. Special tires 14:00 x 24, 24 ply rating handle heavy loads, provide maximum traction.—Hyster Co.

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Scaffold-Hoist Unit Saves Time-Money

How would you go about removing an old steel tank, 3' in diameter, 10' long, weighing over 1,500 lb. and installed 8' above the floor in tight quarters?

A Cincinnati plumbing contractor had to do it. A professional rig-



ger quoted \$160 for the job. But the contractor wanted a faster, cheaper job.

The result: a combination scaffold and hoist constructed of steel pipe and slipon aluminum fittings. Only tools needed: a pipe cutter and Allen wrench. It took 3½ man hours to cut the pipe, slip on the fittings, erect the scaffold, rig the tank, and lower it. Labor cost: \$15.93. Total cost of materials: \$76.29. However, the entire scaffold was salvaged (\$76.29) and will be used on future jobs.

The scaffold-and-hoist can move any medium-to-heavy equipment. It can be adapted to size by varying the length of pipe. The pipe need not be cut to shorten dimensions since it slips through the fittings.—The Hollaender Mfg. Co.

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This chemical company uses Bostitch stapling to make up 200-lb. test regular slotted containers for its products used in the shoe industry. One man operating the foot-operated Bostitch F94 Stapler can bottom 150 cartons in 45 minutes—three times faster than the former method. In addition, the stapler saves space since its speed permits cartons to be made up as needed. With the slower previous method, cartons had to be made up in advance and stored.

A Bostitch Economy Man—one of 350 in 123 U.S. and Canadian cities—pointed the way to these savings. He has cost and speed facts on setting up and closing the kind of cartons you form. Look him up in your phone book or drop a line to Bostitch, 706 Briggs Drive, East Greenwich, Rhode Island.

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(Below) To seal the tops of corrugated cartons loaded with five gallons of shoe leather dressing, a Bostitch Boxlok Stapler is used. One man can top-seal ten cartons a minute as the loaded boxes arrive at this station by handtruck.



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Sure-footed Lift Trucks

Hydraulic suspension on steering wheels gives the Mobilift cushiontired sit-down Models M-30, M-40, and M-50 good traction and steering ease. Each steering wheel in this fork



truck series is independently cushioned in an oil cylinder attached to the frame. This provides 4-point support on uneven floors or crossing and turning on sharp crowns of loading ramps. Photo shows the M-40 crossing the crown of a concrete ramp with a 3-inch level difference. Company says, with its Hydralize, there is no slip, no dig, steering is easier, and tires last longer.

Mobilift Materials Handling Equipment Div., Motec Industries, Inc.

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Hopper Boxes Supply Assemblers

Steel hopper boxes receive parts, store them, feed them to assemblers. Triple use cuts material handling



cost. The boxes, 28 in. x 42 in. x 21 in. deep, receive small steel parts as they come from forming machines. When filled, boxes tier, so fork truck can stack them in storage area. Box

loads of parts go to assembler as needed, rest on tilted racks so assembler picks direct from hopper end. Maker of box also supplies rack or stand adapted to needs of user.

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Color Coding Enamels

Come packaged in 16 oz. aerosol containers. Easy to apply. Fast drying, permanent. Adhere to wood, metal, plastic, corrugated board. No cans to open, no waste, no mess. Makes color coding a clean, fast low-cost operation. Available in 18 colors. Company points out these uses: color coding of inventory stocks and



work in-process; marking of tools by departments; identifying piping, valves, electrical connections; directing inter-plant routing of materials; inspection marking. Ideal also for spotlighting moving parts or other safety hazards; and for marking fire and water valves and similar emergency equipment. Suited for inside or outside application.

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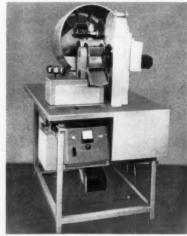
devices to prevent over-topping or over-swinging right or left. Hydraulic controls and action, 180° boom swing. Operates quietly.

Silent Hoist & Crane Co.

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Automatic Parts Counter

Electronically controlled parts counter bulk counts and also batches in small lots. Handles up to 450,000 items an hour. The Atronic Parts Counter Model 620 handles parts ranging in sizes and shapes from paper clips, ball bearing assemblies, and fasteners of all types to candy and drug capsules. Items can weigh between .01 and 2.5 ounces, range in size up to 2 inches. Applications: packaging, prepackaging, bulk shipping, inventory control, incoming inspection, and production batching.



Atronic says an attendant can stop one counting operation, empty the machine, reset the simple controls,

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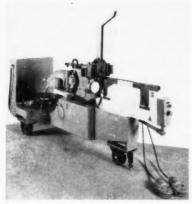
and begin counting out another product in about two minutes. Operation principle is automatic high speed weighing of parts in sufficiently small batches to permit an accurate count by weight regardless of manufacturing tolerances.

Atronic Products, Inc.

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Semi-Automatic Strapping Machine

Lower chute of M20L steel strapper fits into narrow slot between sections of conveyor, making supplementary table or rollers unnecessary. Machine has fast feed, husky construction, unlimited strap take-up, suits high-production packaging lines. Operator positions package, steps on feed switch, inserts strap in lower chute, then steps on cycle switch to tension and seal strap. Standard chute



lengths are 18, 24, and 30 in. vertical strap guides clear packages 15, 21, or 27 in. high. Tensions adjustable, up to 1,500 lb. A 3-h.p. 1,800 r.p.m. 3-phase 60-cycle motor powers the machine. Accessories include wheels and floor jacks, pre-loading strap dispenser for loading strap without interrupting production, safety switches which stop machine when it is out of strap or seals.

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Epoxy Resin Systems

Company offers two Class H epoxy resins for impregnating, potting, and casting. Permacel ER 4251 (clear, unfilled) and ER 4287 (opaque, filled). Both are single component, require no mixing before use. Each has good heat resistance and electrical properties under 180 degrees C. Other features: continuous operating temperatures, long pot life, and very low viscosity during cure. Inherent

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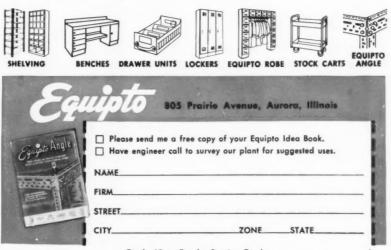


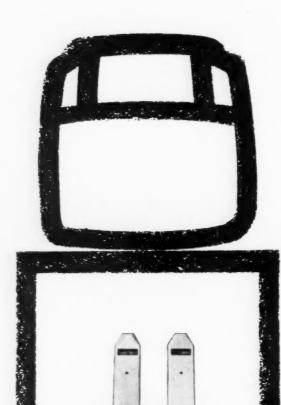
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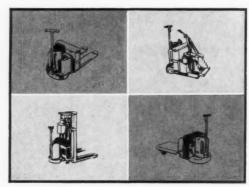
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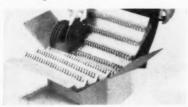
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Versatile Packaging Material

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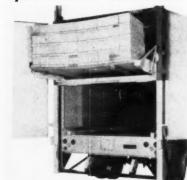


slotted, to hold, separate, and cushion discs. Maker offers service of developing ways to package products in this cushioning.

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System Loads Trucks Fast



Pallets that flex to grip load without straps, and roller tracks on the truck body to support the pallets are the main parts of Relae system for

faster loading. Special chutes at the dock, or fork lift trucks, or elevating mechanism mounted on truck, load pallets into truck van. Using chutes you load the truck with one man in 3 minutes, unload in 10; with fork trucks it takes 30 minutes to load, 20 to unload.

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Protect Wood Floors

Your trucks beat up your floors? Try a new oil-free urethane clear finish. Called Imron, it's said to provide wearability and gloss retention two to three times greater than conventional fine varnishes. Imron reduces upkeep cost. Its hardness and gloss prevent dirt from sticking. There's a high degree of oil and grease resistance.

DuPont Co.

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LP-Gas Filter & Solenoid Valve

New Filterlock FL-418, combination LPG filter and solenoid valve, has extra large coil for better service when hot weather boosts pressures. Mounting filter with valve reduces



weight 20 percent, eliminates fittings. New model has forged, recessed center plate to fit coil housing, "O" ring seal at fuel inlet bolt, and phenolic impregnated filter element. It operates in any position.

Beam Products Mfg. Co.

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Vibrating Screen Improvement

You can get horizontal vibrating screens with integrally-mounted motors. Motor base and tubular cross member become an integral part of the screen frame. Company claims these advantages: elimination of overhead structure; reduced head room; increased belt life due to close fixed centers; shorter belts which overcome

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whipping wear, and elimination of making time and cost-consuming motor alignments in the field.

Allis-Chalmers

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Compact Fork Lift Trucks

New electric fork lift trucks are only 33-4 in. wide. They fit light to medium load-capacity jobs in grocery warehousing, large retail stores, light industry, boxcar loading. Three models in RST series have 2,000, 2,500, and 3,000 lb. capacities. RST-20 illustrated, has 68-in over-all mast height, stacks 105 in. high. Each model has 3 wheels, pivots at center of load axle because one wheel rotates clockwise while other turns counterclockwise. This saves 5 in. of aisle space. Foot controls for lift, tilt, travel, and braking, with accelerator and brake operating from one pedal. Dual tilt rams give extra support to uprights for safety.

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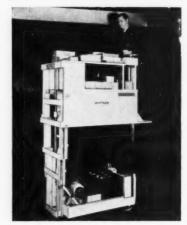


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Stock Picking Truck

Bin Selector truck raises operator and load platform to shelf level for order-picking. Vertical travel is 49½., puts driver's eyelevel at about 10 ft.



above floor. Weighs a ton, carries 1,000 lb. including driver, occupies space 31 x 64 in., and works in 36-in. aisle. Electrically powered, has 3 speeds forward or reverse, to 5 m.p.h. Drives are 24v. Can be furnished with greater lift height.

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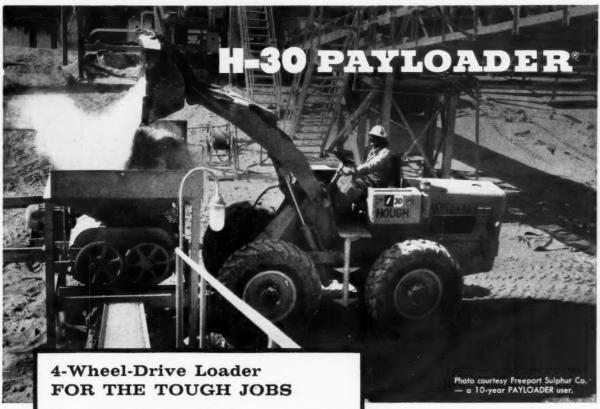
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WHITE ELEPHANTS they couldn't hide

A fable about the pale pachyderm, and why the bulk of the beast is proportional to the size of the system

Nobody was left at the White Elephant's cocktail party but the White Rabbit.

"I don't give a hoot whether you *are* a star of stage, screen, and television," the Elephant was saying, "I'll *still* say that we white elephants in material handling get more recognition from important people than white rabbits do these days."

"I don't doubt your word necessarily, but I need proof," said the Rabbit. "Do you have proof?"

"Of course I have proof," said the Elephant. "First, do you *really* know what material handling is?"

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"It's handling material," shot back the Rabbit.
Pleased with his quick thinking, he poured another martini from the pitcher.

"That's the obvious answer, but you're only part right," said the Elephant. "Material handling really means controlling product flow from raw material through manufacturing, into storage, and through distribution to the final customer."

"So you know a definition, which proves nothing." The Rabbit dropped a chunk of carrot into his glass. "What I want to know is, how does this material handling fit into the recognition of your activities, white-elephantwise?"

"It all ties together, as you'll see shortly. But I want to begin by saying that we white elephants have been in material handling from the start. The funny thing about it, in the early days there were a lot more of us but nobody recognized us as white elephants; nowadays we are fewer and everybody spots us like *that*!" The Elephant snapped his trunk so sharply that the Rabbit hopped right over the table, martini and all.

"I spilled some," he said accusingly. He paused to remember where the conversation had left off. "Ah, yes. If you don't mind, I should like an explanation

WHITE ELEPHANTS

of your last statement and some proof to back it up. Otherwise I shall be forced to conclude that your argument has no validity." He said this in a nasty tone of voice because he was peeved at the Elephant for scaring him.

"Please don't get huffy," said the Elephant, for he was a very easygoing fellow, as most white elephants are. "I was just trying to bring home the point about how material handling has *changed*, and how everybody has to look at it differently now, including us white elephants. Here, let me fill up your glass."

"I don't mind if you do," said the Rabbit.

"Now, let me tell you about white elephants in material handling from the beginning," said the Elephant, pouring.

"I'm all ears," said the Rabbit, drinking.

"In the very early days of material handling," said the White Elephant, "there were many of us, and we roamed untamed in the wilds of industry. Few people tried to hunt us down because they didn't know how. More than that, they didn't even know we were white elephants.

"This was kind of a blow to our pride. It's no fun to be a white elephant unless you're recognized as one. But in those days there weren't enough material hardling specialists to track us down."

"Very shattering to the ego, I'm sure," said the White Rabbit.

"In those days," the Elephant continued, "the president of a company might meet his fellow presidents at the club, and one of them would say, 'Charlie, today I mechanized my plant. I bought a fork lift truck!' And Charlie would fret all through lunch, and then he'd rush back to his office, and he'd telephone a truck manufacturer and he'd say, 'Send me out *two* fork lift trucks!'

"Well, it might be that Charlie's people weren't stacking anything in the plant, and they didn't have unit loads, and the trucks were kept running only part of the time, so they didn't really solve any handling problems for him. But they gave Charlie something to talk about at the club."

"That's nice," said the Rabbit, absently. He was busy sneaking another martini and hadn't been paying attention

"No, it's not nice!" shouted the Elephant. "There we were, real white elephants in Charlie's plant, and he never knew it! Oh, the embarassment of it all."

The Elephant shook his head sadly, then brightened. "But things weren't always that difficult for us. Even in the early days, there were situations that showed us up in our true colors."

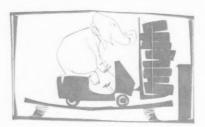
"I don't think white is a color," said the Rabbit, with a frown.

"A good example is a case I call *The Rare Affair of the Robust Rider*," said the Elephant, ignoring the interruption. "It was *rare* because the white elephant was spotted right away. The *robust rider* part of it describes the rider truck that was too hefty for the job.

"This incident took place at a company which had a Plant 1 and a Plant 2 and a lot of other plants, and

the plant managers kept an eye on each other so that nobody would try to look better than the rest to management.

"So when Plant 1's manager heard that Plant 2's manager had bought a 4000 lb. capacity fork lift truck, he rushed over to Plant 2 and wrote down the make and model of the truck. Then he rushed back to his



purchasing agent, tossed him a crumpled piece of paper, and said, 'Get me one of those fork truck things —and get it now!'

"So the purchasing agent (because he had no material handling engineer to guide him in those days) called up a truck salesman and bought a gas-powered, rider-type, center control, high-lift truck with a 4000 pound capacity, just as his manager told him to."

"And they all lived happily ever after?" asked the Rabbit. Some people never learn how to get to the point of a story, he thought.

"You don't understand," said the Elephant. "This fork lift truck was one of us, and nobody lives happily with a white elephant. Except maybe another white elephant."

"So they found your man out?"

"Yes, and easily, even for those days. The manufacturing floor was above ground level and had to be reached by elevator. Well, they got this elephant—I mean, truck—onto the elevator and started up, and instead it sank,—ka-boom, to the basement. Nobody had figured that the elevator wasn't built to carry 4000 pound capacity lift trucks."

"Elevator, shmelevator," said the Rabbit. "I'll bet they got around that by taking the truck up in sections. They probably re-assembled it on the manufacturing floor, and everybody worked happily ever

"Hah!" snorted the White Elephant, as only an elephant can snort. "Hah! You're wrong! The main floor was made of wood and it had a capacity of 125 pounds per square foot and the aisles were only six feet wide. That did it. The breakthrough was made. Recognition was paid this truck as a real, honest-to-goodness white elephant that the company had wasted money on and had to claim as its very own!"

"May I have another carrot in my martini?" asked the White Rabbit.

"Of course. As I was saying, from this kind of humble beginning, we white elephants followed the progress of material handling as it developed and gained in popularity among companies. You see, we found out right away that the bigger system you have, the bigger white elephant you have a chance to own. I should like to give you an example from what I call

the middle period of material handling, a few years ago, when companies were starting to think about it as a remedy for *all* their problems."

"Please do," said the Rabbit. "But before you start, I notice that the unnaturally large carrot you dropped in my martini is only half submerged in liquid. Would you do me the courtesy of pouring more liquid so that the *whole carrot* is completely submerged?

"I call this next example "The Problem of the Prideful Production Prophet," said the Elephant, working feverishly to keep the Rabbit's glass filled.

"It seems there was a manufacturer of large appliances, who used a great number of component parts, as appliance manufacturers do. Now, the manufacturer had a production control manager who said, 'Material handling is the answer to storage of incoming parts. We won't set aside any storage space; we'll just hang the parts on a conveyor that will take them right to production. And with my production control skill, I will schedule incoming parts to match production needs exactly.'

"So the company installed seven miles of overhead conveyor and hung every part that was received on it, and eliminated storage altogether."

"Sounds very nice," said the Rabbit.

"And it was very nice, for us white elephants," said the Elephant. "When it got right down to making the system work, the vendors would sometimes miss their schedule, or a truck would break down, or production would speed up, and a lot of other little things happened that kept the production control system offbalance. Far enough off balance, as a matter of fact, to make the company rent storage space down the street."

"And that made a white elephant of seven miles of conveyor!" exclaimed the Rabbit. He prided himself on being a fast thinker.



"Right. As you can see, we white elephants got bigger and more expensive during material handling's middle period than in the beginning. But it's even better nowadays. Why, today a good white elephant who knows his business can cost a company a million dollars!" The Elephant smiled proudly. "We had a real humdinger at a government installation not too long ago, which I'll be happy to tell you about."

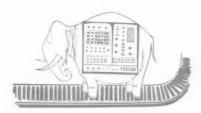
"Let's drink to that," said the Rabbit, suiting action to words.

"This was a supply center with a mechanized order picking system that could handle over 20,000 items a day," the Elephant went on. "The inventory control was done by a giant electronic computer system that could handle over 3500 transactions an hour. This was a compatible system if ever I saw one."

"You are referring to systems compatibility between mechanized material handling and electronic data processing perhaps?" the Rabbit asked precisely. This was not easy because his tongue had suddenly grown fur.

"No, the compatibility I mean is between the system and us white elephants," answered the Elephant. "It had a number of things that were very helpful to us.

"For one thing, the serial numbers and prices of the items were changing every day, so they had to keep reprogramming the computer. Result was they couldn't use the computer more than four hours a day, and that wasn't enough to keep up with the order filling system. Besides, they had some breakdowns in the computer which set their output back at the



rate of 20,000 orders for every day of downtime, which they couldn't make up because of the continual reprogramming. So seven months later the system was identified as an *elephant*, white, large scale, and abandoned."

"Terribly fascinating," said the White Rabbit, after draining a last drop from the pitcher. "Your story-telling ability, sir, is exceeded only by your graciousness as a host." He started to bow, but the floor started rushing up to meet him, so he thought better of it and waggled an ear instead.

"One comment before you leave—I presume you *are* leaving—" said the Elephant, "and it pertains to the *moral* of the stories I have told you. It goes something like this:

"Material handling men are better informed these days and don't buy many white elephants when selecting individual pieces of equipment.

"The more complex and automatic the system, the bigger the white elephant it will be if there's faulty planning.

"There's a way to keep big, automatic systems from becoming white elephants. Make one man, at top management level, responsible for the total movement of material from raw stock to finished product in the customer's hands. A manager of material flow and the systems approach will make white elephants extinct."

The White Elephant spoke these last words in a sad, slow whisper. So sad, in fact, that the White Rabbit had to turn and rush out into the night so the Elephant would not see the tears in his eyes. Or the bottle under his coat. ◆



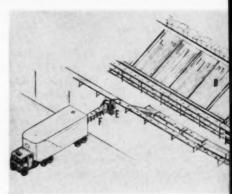
1. YOUR VIEW as you stand at the intersection of the two wings of the order-picker shows all the principal parts. This "automatic device for mechanized order selection" was designed, built, and installed by ADMOS, Inc., Detroit 5.

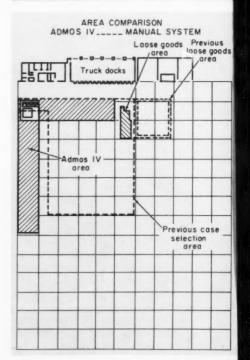
Giant order filler fights high distribution costs

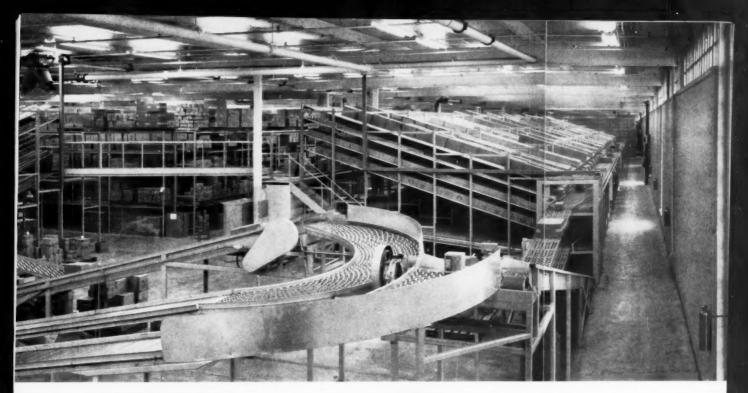
ADMOS MK IV, punch-card controlled, can load 1,800 cases an hour right into the trailer—pays out over 25% on capitalized investment

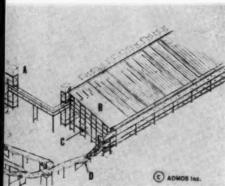
ADMOS MK IV is a weapon, one of the newest, in the war against high distribution costs. Operating at Johnson & Johnson's Brunswick, N. J., shipping center, this giant machine can automatically select, check, and load 1,800 cases an hour. It now handles over 650 different items, has a built-in capacity of 2,000. On its live storage chutes and conveyors it holds 85,000 cases of various sizes and shapes.

Yet neither this huge number of line items, nor MK IV's ability to earn 25% on investment are the machine's most exciting features. You'll find that its speed, the simplicity of its components, the fact that it is genuinely one *system* from back-up storage to truck loading, and above all, that it requires no order accumulation areas are the notable characteristics of the installation.





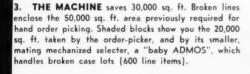


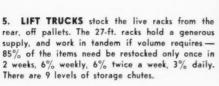


2. CHIEF COMPONENTS of the installation in correct perspective: a) Backup stocks, palletized, on racks; b) Live racks (chutes) for order selection; c) Live racks (gravity rollers) for heavy items; d) Conveyors; e) Operator's control console, labeling with addresses; f) Conveyor goes into truck for loading.



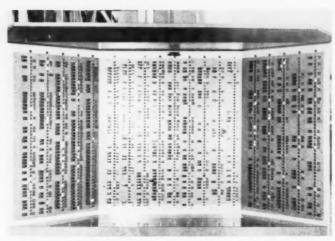
4. OPERATION is simple. A card reader in the office reads order from punched cards. This converts order information into electrical impulses which work the order-picking machinery. A searching system locates the required stock, the circuits then trip the chute releases allowing items to move on to dock bound conveyors traveling at 450 f.p.m. For rush orders a manual control overrides automatic operation, enabling the operator to select items by pushing buttons, like running an adding machine.







GIANT ORDER FILLER



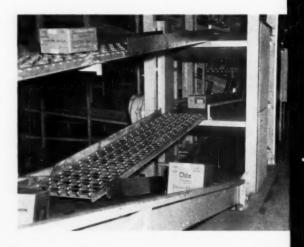
6. THIS BOARD controls restocking. Lights on it are lit by limit switches on the live racks to show when racks need replenishment. A radio-dispatched lift truck restocks the rack at once.



10. CASES TRAVEL on conveyors moving at 450 f.p.m. after leaving the racks, but as they approach the control console, live roller conveyors slow them to 75 f.p.m. for checking and addressing. The streams of cases from different levels and racks merge in the simplest manner, without complicated gates, electric eyes, or counters. Greatest conveyor width is 5 ft.



7. THE SHEET METAL chutes have 6 widths, from 6 to 30 in. They hold packages varying from 6 x 6 x 6 to a top size of 14 cu. ft. weighing 50 lb. Patented adjustable antifriction runners control the descent speed of the cases, and simple, trouble-free electromechanical trips release stock. It is easy to change either chutes or runner to suit different sizes and weights of packages.



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12. AT THIS CONSOLE near the truck dock the operator on the floor has complete control of the system. He checks orders, aided by a closed circuit TV and specially designed electric eye counters. These tell him when an item is in short supply so he can radio to stock control for immediate replenishment. At this point he also addresses each package.





8. ALL WIRING is in harnesses, as on your car, so it is easy to service. Panels at the racks control each bay, and panel wiring is board-mounted, like computer panels. This simplifies changeover when required by changes in chute widths, etc.

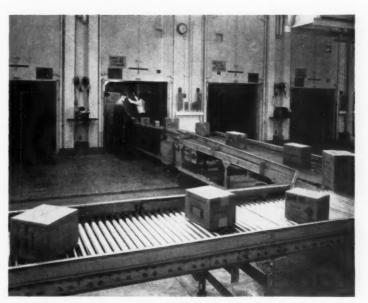


9. THE HEAVIER ITEMS (over 35 lb.) are held on gravity roll-conveyor racks, the lowest of the 5 storage tiers. A huskier electro-mechanical release controls flow from the racks. (The modification of the release for the lightest cases can be seen in picture 8).

11. FLOW OF CASES from the various rack levels merges at top speed. A system of interlocks prevents jams or mishaps. If any one of the 14 conveyors stops, the card reader stops and halts the whole system. To test all electrical circuits the operator runs a test set of punched cards. Trouble, easily pinpointed, can be corrected with the least downtime.



13. CONTROLS at the console are, left to right: intercom, and radio for talking to stock replenishing fork trucks; master electric controls for the whole system; push-button picking, and circuit tests; closed-circuit TV, viewing card reader to tell operator when cases ordered match cases picked; readouts in which numbers appear to show whether order quantity matches electric-eye count.



14. A RETRACTABLE, mechanized bridge and extendible conveyor shunt completed, addressed orders directly into trailer. The computer calculates cube and weight of load components for each truck load, and also puts components in last-on first-off sequence, for quick loading and unloading. ADMOS MK IV selects and assembles orders item by item, one order and one trailer at a time. Thus there is immediate loading, and docks are clean, with no appreciable accumulation area. Loading a 35-ft. trailer with up to 900 miscellaneous cases takes only 30 minutes.



Fourth Project Upgrade article explains how MH is a control function — by understanding controls you advance your career in MATERIAL FLOW MANAGEMENT

MATERIAL HANDLING a control function

By E. RALPH SIMS, JR., Consulting Management Engineer

IF WE ANALYZE business operations anew, ignoring static textbook definitions of the various elements, we find business divides into three basic activities:

1. Creation

- · creation of demand by salesmen
- creation of product by designers and product engineers
- creation of facilities by plant and industrial engineers

2. Fabrication

- conversion of raw material into processed materials
- conversion of raw and processed materials into parts
- · conversion of parts into product

3. Control

- · general management control of the business
- · financial control of operations
- production inventory, and cost control in manufacturing
- material control in purchasing, storing, distribution, and material handling

When business is thus viewed it becomes evident that all elements of management fall in the control field, since they neither create nor convert product or demand. Material handling is definitely a control function, but where does material handling fit into the business picture?

The existence of materials is commercially described as inventory. Inventory includes raw materials, material-in-process, finished goods, stocks in transit, jobber, distributor, and retailer stocks. The significant fact is that inventory is material in motion or storage which must be controlled, but which is neither being

changed nor causing changes, and which is not accumulating value as a result of productive work being applied to it. This analysis makes it obvious that material handling is a control function.

MH Equipment Controls Material

Material handling equipment controls the place and condition of the material, and often changes its place and condition while controlling these factors. Equipment often transports and stores simultaneously, as do conveyors, railroad cars, ships and trucks. It may improve the condition of the product, as warehousing corrects the moisture content of printing papers. Some devices both transport and count or measure, as do scale-equipped lift trucks and conveyors. Protection from weather, temperature change, deterioration, or pilferage can also be functions of material handling equipment, as in the case of refrigerated trucks, cold-storage warehouses, hoppers, tanks, and unit containers.

There are few situations, however, in which the handling equipment as such does anything creative to the material. The control aspect of material handling lies in maintaining the location, count, time scheduling, confinement, protection, and identification of the material.

MH and Management Decisions

Looking at material handling as a control function shows us that the equipment really implements management policies and decisions. The major purpose of the material handling activity is to control goods, materials, and products, in their flow from mine to consumer. By means of this control management attempts to keep the amount of material in transit, in storage, and in process as low as possible consistent with the desired finished goods output; this minimizes dollar lock-up and handling expense.

MH Makes Materials Meet Schedules

Another control aspect of material handling is its part in the regulation of flow, volume, frequency, and elapsed time in the movement of materials and products. This control of movement is vital to production control in manufacturing, and to the functions of distribution and marketing. A simple example is the holding conveyor that precedes a manufacturing operation; parts or tote boxes accumulated on this conveyor are released at predetermined intervals so they enter the production cycle exactly when they are needed. The same procedure governs truck and car loading, order filling, packing, and other distribution activities. MH equipment can also compensate for differences in the handling capacities of successive steps in production or movement. If lift trucks unload a drag line conveyor, the load capacity of the conveyor can be scheduled to absorb load densities greater than the trucks can immediately unload; the drag line carts can be recirculated with their loads, or parked in a holding area, until the lift trucks catch up and balance the input-output capacities of the system.

Objectives of Controls

In applying these control concepts as a material handling engineer you must first recognize the objectives of controls. Manufacturing and financial controls serve as value and meters to govern the flow of money in the business system. Inventory records act as a level gage in the surge tank of the system. (The current items of the financial statement are similarly a monetary surge tank, and the balance sheet is the level gage for finances.) Production controls act as valves which release materials and products into the system to maintain a smooth flow. The cost control standards can be compared to the limit marks on gages which define normal readings in the flow system. Budgets serve as meters and valves in the financial control of the company.

Thus the manager can manipulate the valves (production and budget controls) and read the gages (inventory and financial statements) to operate the sys-

tem according to a planned norm (established by the cost and standard system).

Capitalize on the Control Concept

The material handling engineer can gain by understanding these relationships. He should see his warehouses as surge tanks which should normally be nearly empty, never stagnant. He should think of his conveyors as pipe lines normally carrying closely controlled, regular flow with no surges. He must use his lift trucks and other mobile equipment as the tank trucks of the system, capable of moving product units or material with random access into the system.

If he takes this view the material handling engineer can assist mangement by balancing the various elements of the material handling system. In this way he implements the management decisions which grow out of the meter readings (inventory and financial control), and helps to carry out these decisions through the release and movement (valving) of the product.

To perform in this role the material handling engineer should develop a broad understanding of the principles of inventory management, work standards, standard costing systems, and the cash flow principle of management. He should understand the principles of product on control and be thoroughly familiar with his company's production and inventory control policies and budget practices.

Once the MH man understands these aspects of control he can greatly increase his usefulness to management. Management effectiveness in manufacturing and marketing organizations can be no better than prevailing control procedures permit. The MH man who thoroughly understands management intent, and the reasons for this intent, can help the managers get quicker, better results because he can help devise more effective procedures, more responsive equipment systems.

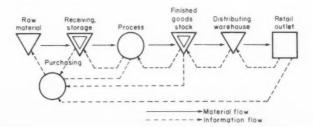
The speed of response will be noticed. From where top management sits organizations usually seem slow, balky, stubborn when the order goes out to increase production, or trim inventories, or improve turnover. The man who can implement decisions regarding material flow management, quickly and easily, is sure to be marked for greater responsibilities.

Putting the CONTROL CONCEPT into PRACTICE

BECAUSE YOUR OPERATION is different, nobody can tell you in a few pat words how you can use Ralph Sims' idea of control.

But if you study the subject as he suggests, with needs of your own operation in mind, you will find specific situations in which it will help you. Suppose, for example, your management says "Get inventories down." As manager of material flow, you first take the obvious steps, then decide to see what more you can do by applying the control concept.

Some diagrams will help you to bring actual problems into focus. Sims says: "The major function of the material handling activity is to control goods, materials, and products from mine to consumer." That's a pretty big picture. Put in some details, and you get this:

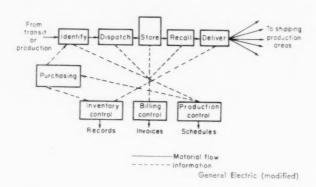




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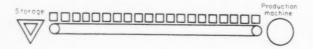
SWIFT MOVEMENT and accurate control, either automatic or manual, make handling and inventory cost less for manufacturer.

Plainly, even this is too much, but it might suggest that we take a look at the activities in the vicinity of "Receiving, Storage" and "Process." A good diagram from General Electric, modified to include purchasing, provides a more detailed view of storage:



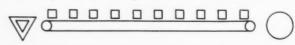
While this shows clearly how information flow and material flow must be linked, it is still necessary to choose a narrower area of activity. Remembering Sims' statement "Equipment often transports and stores simultaneously," we can take a look at one of the "To Production Area" transport lines.

Examining this we may find that the storage area is linked to a production machine by a conveyor, and that it is a carefully synchronized operation in which production accepts 30 units per minute. There are normally 20 units on this conveyor at a time, like this:



Thus 20 parts are "stored in transport." They tie up working capital just as parts on the shelf do.

Speed this conveyor, and you cut the in-process inventory. Double its speed, and it looks like this:



This is only a petty improvement, but if you change many operations you can reduce in-process inventory significantly. And the same idea applies to *all* transport—speed it up to reduce the inventory held in

pipelines.

In your processing you may have places where parts accumulate, ready for process, at each machine. Here balance two principles—"keep the amount of material in transit, in storage, and in process as low as possible," and "parts accumulated . . . enter the production cycle exactly as needed." The normal might be sketched this way:



Each stock represents in-process inventory. These stocks are needed because they take care of emergencies when Operation B is down. For, say, adjustment like this:

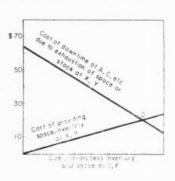


If there is sufficient storage capacity at x, and enough in-process stock at y, neither A nor C will be shut down by the temporary interruption at B. B falls behind, but it can later catch up by overtime operation.

You have to determine whether the storage space and stocks at x and y are exactly right for the most economical protection against downtime at B. If you have not carefully considered the stocks, the chances are that someone set the levels by guess. If the operation is fairly continuous, the guesses are likely to be overgenerous.

To correct: classify the various reasons for shutdown of B, find out how frequent these shutdowns are, how long they last, and how much they cost if they in turn cause shutdowns at A and C, or further up-

stream and downstream in the production system. You will
also need to estimate
the cost of maintaining in-process inventory at B. Having
done this, you can
plot a chart to show
the ideal float at x
and y to minimize
combined downtime
costs and inventory
costs. Your chart will
look something like



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To make this plot you may have to consider some rather difficult combinations of averages and probabilities. If you have a good quality control man he should be able to help you set up the figures. Once you have this it is easy to compute the point at which the curve for both costs combined is at a minimum (not necessarily o). This correction will be valuable if stocks at x and y are bulky, high in value, or if this situation is repeated many times in your system.

These are some of the ways the control concept can be useful to you. There are many others. You will want to learn about the application of servo theory to inventory control, and how real feed-back devices are being used to control segments of inventory in some plants. You need to know the difference between standard accounting methods of measuring inventory costs, and actual costs as revealed in a cash-flow analysis (some inventory can really cost nothing!). These subjects and others provide the techniques you must have for efficient management of material flow. •

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GET THE MOST FROM PROJECT UPGRADE

Project Upgrade started with this question, in the December issue of MATERIAL HANDLING ENGI-NEERING:

Where will you be five years from now?

Part of the answer lies in the response you make to the suggestions you find in Project Upgrade articles, suggestions that will help you advance vour career.

Each article has built understanding for those which follow. To get the most benefit from the series, be sure you are familiar with what appeared in February, March, and April, and you will want to read all the articles yet to come, which will deal with these topics:

Material Control and the Paperwork Problem-making office procedures and office automation work for you

Material Control and the Balance Sheet-basics of accounting, cost control, and labor standards that will help you

Controlling Material in Distribution-packaging, warehousing, traffic, transportation, marketing, analyzed from the material control aspect

Manager of Material Flow-the job function-what material flow management must accomplish

Manager of Material Flow-the man-the kind of man top management and personnel consultants will look for to fill this top job

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A Rubbair Door installation at the warehouse of S. Kann & Sons Company Hyattsville, Maryland

THE S. KANN SONS CO. Washington, D.C.

READ THIS ACTUAL CASE HISTORY:

In response to your letter of March 25, we are happy to inform you that we are very pleased with the Rubbair Doors that were installed about 3 years ago in our warehouse at 5620 Ager Rd., W. Hyatsville, Md. They have held up well and have satisfactorily performed their function of keeping cold air out of the building while allowing easy passage of merchandise through the doorways. If we were to build a new warehouse, we would duplicate the Rubbair door installation.

Sincerely yours, B. B. Bergunder, Jr. Vice-President

Use Rubbair Doors to assure trouble free operation . . .

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- Positive Air Seal
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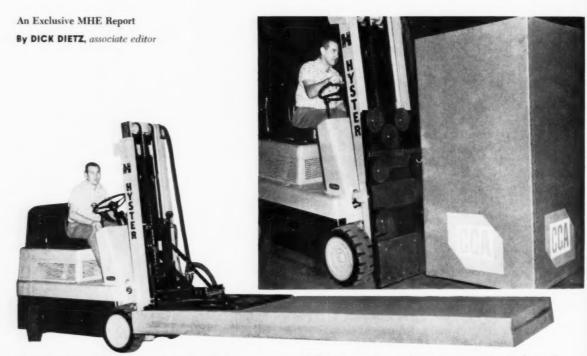
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ATTACHMENT EASILY carries load of 12-ft.-long gypsum board from one end. Internal vacuum solidifies board into rigid mass inside corrugated carton. In top photo, attachment

with flexible cups lifts appliance in carton. There's plenty of room for a second carton side-by-side. These photos contrast internal and surface vacuum.

THE IDEAL lift truck attachment: a device that handles anything. Hyster showed us what probably comes closest—a vacuum-handling system for anything that can be enclosed in a reasonably impervious wrap or standard carton. It differs from previous vacuum developments:

- Vacuum capacity is greater and it builds up faster than anyone thought possible with equipment that fits unobtrusively on a truck.
- · Easy controls for the driver.
- New front end design: basic plate, paper roll holder, and suction cup device (specially flexible cups with more holding power).

Hyster Company flew a score of prospective users to its Danville, Ill., plant for the first demonstration outside of Hyster's laboratory. Purpose, according to General Sales Manager Robert F. Moody, was to help Hyster decide on direction of development.

"It's not for sale right now," said Moody ruefully. "Wish it were. You're here to see what it does, not how. At no time will we open the hood, show you the insides. They're still secret."

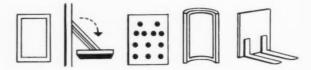
What They Showed Us

Three Hyster men demonstrated—Glenn Herz, vice president-engineering; J. R. (Dick) Aaron, supervisor of advanced design, and John Olson, engineer in charge of the project.

They showed us the face plate, a rectangle bounded by a plastic rim. It positions vertically or horizontally. "This is our latest and possibly biggest attempt at revolutionizing an industry"—

-ERNEST G. SWIGERT, president, Hyster Company

Three other attachments slip over the face plate in seconds without the driver having to dismount. These are a 12-suction-cup device, a paper roll handler, and a fork attachment.



The attachments handle loads with surface vacuum or internal vacuum. For surface, the attachments suck against a solid surface and lift. For internal, you need a bag or wrap of some sort around the load. In seconds, the attachments suck out the air, draw in the wrap. Wrap and load make a solid mass which you can't pull apart by hand. The attachment then lifts the load, moves it without other support.

attachment

Some of the Possibilities

A driver with a 5,000-lb, truck put the attachments through their paces. (Aaron stressed that these were demonstration loads only; under no circumstances do they constitute the limitations of vacuum handling. Most loads were too light for the test truck, but the experimental model needed capacity to handle the heaviest of the test loads, he explained.)

LINER (PAPER) BOARD—4,000-lb. roll, 48 inches in diameter and 76 inches high. Tape, rope, or other ties can't affect vacuum seal. (This is *surface* vacuum).

APPLIANCES IN CARTONS—Driver, in seconds, changes to 12-cup attachment without dismounting. Easily lifts 200-lb. ranges, 325-lb. refrigerators in glued, slabsided cartons (two to a load). Loads flex but remain stable and undamaged. Easily stacked. (Surface).

PAPER TISSUE IN CARTONS—Lightweight items are not necessarily easier to handle. Vacuum-cup attachment, however, easily lifts six cartons, 60 lb. each, with firm grip. (*Surface*).

FIBER DRUMS—Two small drums, weigh 100 lbs. each, easily picked up side by side with cup attachment. Can handle anything with fairly smooth surface. (*Surface*).

LOAD OF EMPTY CANS—Covered by kraft paper. Master attachment seals against one end, draws out air, solidifies 425-lb. load. Needs small hole through which air withdraws from kraft. Could be self-sealing or simply patched with tape for storage later. (Internal).

CANNED SOUP–Kraft paper surrounds 3,000-lb. stack of 72 cases. Lifts easily despite accidental small holes in wrap. Shape of load makes no difference. (*Internal*).

GYPSUM BOARD—Sixteen pieces 12 ft. long. Horizontal attachment picks up one end of corrugated package by evacuating air. Load solidifies, rises easily. (*Internal*).

BAGGED FEEDS—Interlocking load wrapped loosely in plastic envelope, weighs 2,100 lb. Horizontal plate seals against opening on top, evacuates air. Load becomes mass and lifts. (*Internal*).

Yes, But Is It Safe?

Shut off the power from an internal vacuum load—as they did for us—and watch it take several minutes for the load to drop from the attachment. This means there's plenty of time to lower the load mechanically if vacuum fails. Other safety aspects:

1—Load won't lift unless it's gripped by vacuum. With vacuum you either have a load or you don't. It's the pressure that ties the load to the truck.

2—Hyster built two vacuum systems into the truck and either will do the job.

3—Driver sees he has safe vacuum for lifting either by dial or by red light on mast. Off goes the light when you get the proper pressure.

4—Attachment won't let go of the load until the load is supported from the bottom, as when it touches the floor.

5—Action is gentle, protects fragile items. ♦

The Audience Wants to Know

The audience questioned Hyster officials and those from Container Corporation of America (which helped develop handling of cartoned appliances).

Q-Will the attachment be an accessory or will it mean a new truck?

A—It can perhaps be put on current Hyster lift trucks, but it will be cheaper to buy a new fitted truck.

Q-Will it cost a lot?

A—Estimated as close to the same as an attachment that does a similar job. But the total cost may be less because you can use a smaller truck. The load sits with a lower center of gravity and the attachment is light, enabling a smaller truck to pick up a heavier load.

Q-How about operating costs?

A-Probably no more than a truck with a conventional clamp attachment.

Q-Can an ordinary mechanic repair the system?

A—The equipment is not unusual. Maintenance will be no tougher than it is for present equipment.

Q-Can the attachment stack five high?

A-Very possible, depending upon load stability and basic lift truck model used.

Q-Will it handle 55-gallon steel drums?

A-Easily lifted a 450-lb. drum. Even handled a battered, rusty one in the yard.

Q-What happens to internal vacuum if someone accidentally tears a 2-inch hole in the wrap?

A-You'd lose the pressure, but slowly. You'd have time to deposit the load safely.

Q-What happens to the other suction cups when a

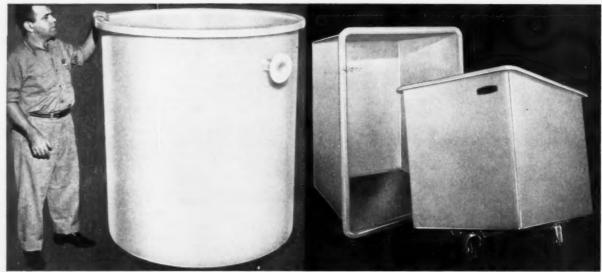
load needs only a couple?

A-Nothing. Unit automatically uses only the ones required.



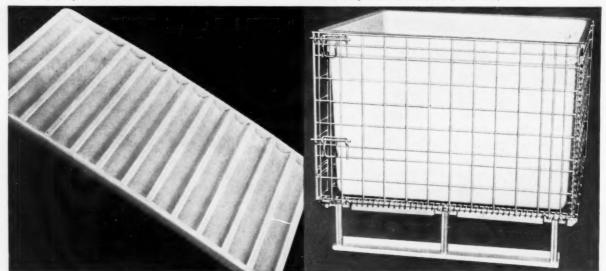


CUT OFF THE VACUUM and the load takes several minutes to drop. Actual test (above) shows bags of feed in plastic wrap just hitting the floor. Load was unitized by internal vacuum. Engineering Vice President Glenn Herz (right) explains face plate operation to MHE Associate Editor Dick Dietz. Small metal rectangle on the plate is a load sensing device, must be depressed before the attachment will work.



Easy-to-handle 350-gallon tank of polyethylene can be either fitted with a variety of polyethylene or conventional connections. Replaces stainless steel for many corrosive products. Various sizes of polyethylene tanks with lids or covers are available from American Agile Corporation, Box 168. Bedford. Ohio.

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All of the specialized materials handling containers above are made by a revolutionary new process called Thermofusion*. Introduced in this country by Spencer Chemical Company, this process permits economical production of polyethylene containers in almost any size or shape—even in small quantities.

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Fork trucks do everything but trample the grapes





FORK TRUCK UNLOADS grapes at Meier's Sandusky winery. Use of special counterbalanced truck (left) enabled Meier's to discontinue shipping grapes in barrels. Photo (top) shows high stacking truck storing cartons of bottles on new mezzanine that nearly doubled Meier's storage capacity. Moto-Truc Company

MEIER'S WINE CELLARS, Silverton, Ohio, bought their first electric industrial truck to eliminate an unnecessary handling operation.

Grapes for the wine are picked in the company's own vineyards on Isle St. George in Lake Erie and put into wooden boxes. Formerly, they emptied the grapes into barrels and transported them by boat to their winery at Sandusky, Ohio.

The barrels were awkward and hard to handle and required cleaning after each use. So the company sought a way to eliminate the barrels—a method which would enable them to ship the wooden boxes directly to the Sandusky winery.

They did it with a combination of material handling items. First, they put forks on a farm tractor. The tractor carries palletized boxes of grapes from the vineyard to a flatbed truck for shipment to the winery.

At the winery, a special counterbalanced electric fork truck unloads the grapes. The truck's design enables the weight of the truck to remain on the dock while the forks are inserted in the pallets. The flatbeds are unloaded from the side so the truck's forks are always within easy reach of the pallets.

The people at Meier's were so impressed with the efficiency, economy, and easy operation of the fork truck that they had one of their flatbeds haul it to

the warehouse at Silverton after the harvest season. This way they make full use of the truck. During the autumn harvest, the truck unloads grapes at the winery in Sandusky. The rest of the year, the truck works in the company's Silverton warehouse.

Good Handling Continues

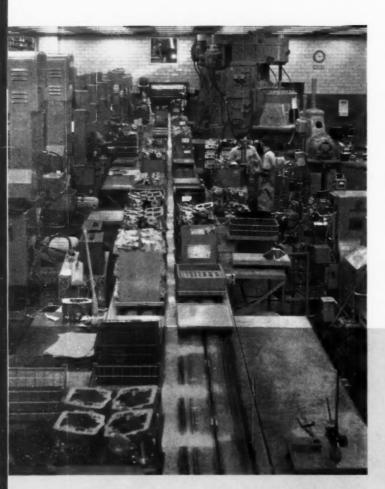
The success of this new shipping and receiving system prompted Meier's to improve their other handling. They bought four more trucks—one walkie pallet truck, two rider fork trucks with telescoping masts, and one walkie fork truck with telescoping mast.

The small pallet truck carries wines from the bottling line to a high stacking truck for storage. The two rider trucks handle the general warehousing and load highway trucks as well.

An advantage of the high stacking fork truck is its ability to use space formerly unusable. After buying this high stacking truck, the company built a mezzanine, nearly doubling their storage capacity. One of the rider trucks lifts cartons of bottles to the mezzanine. A walkie on the mezzanine stacks the cartons. The procedure is reversed when bottling begins.

According to vice president, Jack Sonneman: "In addition to reassigning eight men to more productive work, we now have the added space-saving advantage of high stacking." •

Evaluation of work station



UNUSUAL WORK STATION LAYOUT with L-shaped movement at Ingersol Milling Machine Co. Heavy stock goes on conveyor in right foreground, gets pushed to one of the lathes. Worker picks off stock, using lathe's extensible conveyor. After machining, finished part goes on gravity conveyor bounding left side of the area. Part winds up at inspection, in far left corner of the section. In another example of good work station layout (below), Woodward Governor Co. uses dorkhigh drag link conveyor down center of work stations. Notice how close machines are to each other, saving steps, keeping worker on the job.

Make storage areas out of your work stations and prepare to fall flat on your face. You'll trip over the clutter. More significant, you'll trip over costly handling and reduced production.

Many firms tend to store around production machines and assembly stations. It seems natural to let the stuff pile up. But you'll be far better off keeping material moving than letting it accumulate, when it's not in process at the moment.

Next time you walk into a plant (your own or another) look at the amount of movement at the work stations. If you see skids, watch how the worker handles from them. Follow the finished parts. See where and how they go. This little procedure is a start toward evaluating work stations for your own information.

You may find something like this. A plant with 450 machines had 180 stations where the worker walked more than 5 ft. to get material. Every time he left the machine, it was idle, failing to produce dollars for the company. How was this corrected? Merely by bring



layout

the material to the worker in containers and placing them closer to the machine at work level height.

Someplace along the line this plant lost sight of a basic idea: Keep the production worker producing because he makes money for the plant. You can afford some indirect labor, but only to get more production per man hour.

A Work Station Is

.... a place where a worker works. He may tend a machine, assemble a product, ship a package, or unload a rail car. But it's more. He may tend several machines. Or several workers may tend one machine. These may all properly be considered work stations for material handling purposes.

Skimpy planning has botched many a work station. An engineer decides the main equipment. Then he arranges templates on a floor plan until he has the layout the way he thinks it ought to be. Sure, he put in space for machine overhang, for the operator, a bench, and tool rack.



But did he plan for a conveyor station, place for a skid, bin arrangement, and other vital aids? It's not at all unusual for the machine to take up less than 20 percent of a work station. Be certain to consider these points when planning for space:

Machine overhang and moving parts.

Accessibility to parts of the machine needing adjustment during operation.

Projection of material.

Tools, gages, racks, benches, floor conveyors.
Moving large work on and off by truck.
Moving material by skid, pallet, box.

Repair and maintenance of equipment.

To Improve Station Layout

Analyze your material handling; find opportunities to reduce handling costs at stations. Consider the size and kind of material, frequency, and distance of movement. Some other ideas:

• Use gravity as much as you can.

 Consider special containers that preposition material, make it more accessible.

Relocate service activities, if need be.

• Move stations closer to storage or tool rooms.

Some Ideas Behind Good Layout

Your're trying to lay out as straight and short a distance as possible for processing, paperwork, and worker travel. How you do this probably will be a compromise at best. But you can approach an ideal if you apply these:

• Make principal work flow follow straight lines.

Avoid backtracking and cross travel.

 Place files, cabinets, records, and material near those who use them.

Get rid of surplus cabinets, benches, tables to provide space for more important purposes.

• Assign best lighted and ventilated space for work

needing closest attention and concentration.

• Group together workers using the same equipment.

Our purpose in work station layout: to reduce inventory dollars by speeding all handling in the manufacturing cycle. Be a questioner. Look at the overall picture. Then consider these:

MATERIAL MOVEMENT—Review from source to consumer. For example, if you get tons of material in bulk, you might do better to get it in lots that can go right to the work stations. You may increase efficiency by changing from cartons to standard or small containers.

POINTS OF ACCUMULATION—Set up a controlled storage area and move material storage out of processing. Make every square foot of production area pay off in production, not storage.

BETTER CONTROL-Schedule material move-

ment as you would any shop operation.

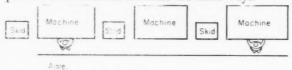
PERIMETER FEEDING—Stocking up at the perimeter of machines or assembly stations may make a lot of sense. Set up work centers so material flows from the outside into the work area. Consider also the advantages of leaving an aisle around the perimeter of your building instead of butting racks against the wall. This way you can feed the outer side of the racks and pick from the inner.

RÈLIABILITY—Plan to get 75 percent utilization of your handling system. This should easily cover processing equipment which, in most plants, works at only

60 to 70 percent efficiency. Take care of the other 25 percent in some unusual way.

Some Machine Arrangements

Goal: to arrange machines so workers move as little as possible. This will vary greatly according to your product and methods. But here are some ways.



Straight line along an aisle. Chief disadvantages: spread out, worker has long distances to move, especially if he runs more than one machine.



Straight line and conveyor: Machines can be spaced closer. But worker has to turn around to use the conveyor, wastes time.



Diagonal line and conveyor: Much handier. May still be troublesome when worker runs more than one machine.



Perpendicular to conveyor. Worker can run two machines, still remain handy to the conveyor.



Grouping. Worker can run cluster of machines with little movement. It's vital to work out carefully the means of receiving material and sending away finished parts so that grouping can fulfill its advantages.

It's generally smart to place machinery and equipment close together for ease of operation and maintenance (chip cleanout, getting to hookups).

In some plants you find too many aisles and too wide aisles. An average ratio figured by some is 1.2 sq. ft. of aisle space to every 1 sq. ft. of manufacturing or storage area. This is too much for most plants.

Chief villains are cabinets, cupboards, benches, extra tools, and fixtures. They steal more space than anything else. A documented case tells of saving more

than 3,000 sq. ft. in one plant alone. They reduced work station area by dumping unnecessary benches, cupboards, and racks for little-used tools and fixtures.

Keep the machine operator at his machine by supplying him with his initial tooling setup and a constant supply of materials. One way is with a central stock control area.

Some items travel miles during manufacture. Correct this by study and planning for department rearrangement. In one plant, 68 percent of all movement was between burr bench, cleaning, tumbling, heat treat, and plating—widely-separated departments. In planning a new plant, these will be the hub of manufacturing.

Laying Out the Line

Workplaces don't float in space. They're steps in the flow of material movement. Therefore, time everything with the bottleneck stations in mind. You'll need surge points here and there.

For example, one machine may turn out 50 pieces an hour and the next, working on the same pieces, only 20 an hour. Here's an accumulation point. Soak up the surplus of the faster machine with flow racks, bins, pallet racks, storage conveyors, or add another production machine.

A fabrication line, composed of many work stations, often is thought of as a straight line. It also may be U-shaped. Advantage: you can use the same handling equipment to feed raw material at the start and to remove finished parts from the end—because both ends are close together. This arrangement also enables you to return empty fixtures and containers quickly and to store in the center.

Another layout variation is the circular: machine stations end-to-end to form a circle or oval. This eliminates worry over returning containers and fixtures. There's also an S-shaped layout that's a variation of the circular.

These layouts generally are for fixed machines, that is, machines that must be bolted down and leveled, can't afford a twist in the bed. On the other hand, there's a strong case for portable machines, such as presses, some milling machines, and the like. These can be moved by truck, crane, or casters to form new layouts as required by the process. This has a great deal to recommend it if the machines can take it.

The main point, however, is to hold down workers' movement. One plant would position work 4 to 5 ft. from a machine. This meant costly steps. The company discovered that it lost nearly 30 percent of the productivity of this machine every day. Sounds dreadfully simple, but all the firm had to do was move the pallets closer to the machine. Have you a difficulty that can be solved as easily as this?

Another Work Station—Assembly

Much of the above applies to assembly stations as well as to machine stations. For example, work positioning is vital to both. So long as you have hold of an item, think about the next operation. See if you can put it where the next worker can grab it easily. Cut down hunting, walking around.

However, assembly calls for more motion study than

WORK STATIONS CAN BE VERSATILE



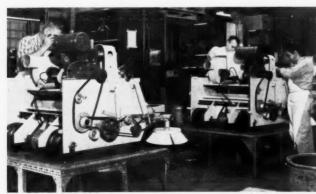
EXTREME FLEXIBILITY is the keynote at the Clarke Floor Machine Co. This floor polisher assembly line is a good example. They bring in motors and main frames from the rear. Subassemblies, completed in bays at the left, are wheeled to the line on hand trucks.



SUBASSEMBLY BAY holds entire inventory of parts for a specific model of vacuum cleaner. Active items go on lower levels and reserve stock, on top.



SAME BAY as at left now holds portable work bench. All parts for subassembly are within arm's reach of workers. Utilities plug in from above. Complete subassemblies go to final assembly on carts.

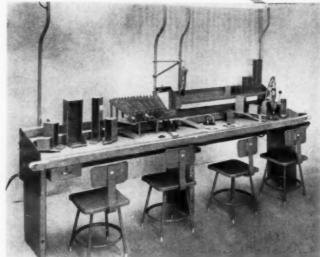


ASSEMBLY LINES show convenience of the system. They assemble light duty sweepers (above) in lots of five, on benches which raise work to useful height. Then they move benches aside, form an aisle for convenient restocking. Items are stored directly behind workers at each station. On the heavy duty sweeper assembly line (right) they store the entire inventory of parts. Assembly starts at rear where subassemblies converge. Final product appears in forground. Notice hand truck (left) holding assortment of parts handy to the assembler.



BUILD WITH STANDARD ASSEMBLY STATIONS





TWO STANDARD BENCHES pro-

vide work stations for four assemblers (lower left). They bolt assembly devices to removable panels, easily change them in seconds as the jobs change. Notice the transfer conveyor along the front of the benches; also, the solder pot sunk into the surface of the third panel from the left—designed to keep worker reaching to a minimum. Long view shows how a group of these benches can fit into a sizeable work area. Everyone sits facing the same direction. This cuts cross chatter, takes fewer supervisors.



MANY CLEVER DEVICES make delivery to work stations easier. Example: this hand truck with floating bottom. It keeps contents at waist level, moving up or down depending on weight of material. Torsion springs and pantagraph arrangement of steel guide arms de the job. Trucks hold up to 450 lb.



you can get all sorts of work station holders. This one, fully adjustable and portable, holds electronic chassis up to 30 inches square, 200 lb. Two casters lock to prevent rolling. This holder also comes in a bench model.

the machine station. Motion study probably will not be a main concern of yours, beyond the knowledge that a worker easily reaches about 27 inches; so it's wise to keep his work within a 27-inch semicircle. Detailed motion study usually is up to the methods man.

Still, to see that material is in the right place for the worker, you should have some idea of motion economy. Consider these ideas for the assembler:

• Both hands begin and end movement at the same time. Keep both hands from being idle at the same time. Try to keep motions opposite, symmetrical, simultaneous,

Study hesitation; eliminate if possible.

Keep material and equipment as nearly as possible within the normal grasp area. Use continuous, curved motions. Try for automatic rhythm.

Slide rather than carry small items.

• Place equipment and material at the work stations before work begins, to reduce searching, finding, and se-

· Have a definite and fixed place for all tools and ma-

terials to make reaching automatic

Decide early whether to bring the assembly material to the operator or to take the operator to the material. Sometimes it's better to have relatively cheap labor set up a station and move the operator there. He works while the cheaper labor sets up the next station.

On the other hand, with a line of assembly operations, connect them with small conveyors, monorails, carriers on light castered frames, other ways. Here you keep work flowing through the station and the worker stays put.

One suggestion in setting up assembly station lines: Leave enough space for two or three extra work stations to take care of the unusual. This might be an expansion, new product, or greater productivity of the present product.

Where to Start With Assembly

Several companies supply complete components for assembly work stations. One suggests you subdivide assembly steps to as low a degree as possible: one person to do one operation.

Try to keep hand motions right in front of the worker. Object is to feed material to point of use. Most logical feeding is with gravity feed bins and containers arranged, usually, in a semicircle in easy reach of the worker. Another good idea is to drop the completed assembly through a hole in the bench. A chute then carries the part to the next station or to a conveyor.

Some general ideas: place tools and material in fixed places. Don't make workers have to think where material is; have them find it by habit. Dispose of com-

pleted parts in fixed places.

One company supplies a standard bench for work station layout. For the bench, you can get standard power items: electricity, gas, air, and others. Into each bench you can fit portable panels (usually two to a 5-foot bench). On each panel you can bolt any arrangement of tools, machines, and containers-but bolted down so the workers cannot rearrange. Beauty of these panels is their flexibility. Arrange them in any order to take advantage of the best system layout.

Next consideration: work transfer between stations. Object: pass material to subsequent stations without storage. The company provides three standard transfer

categories.

1-Small conveyors plus U-troughs, chutes, and other easily-mounted devices.

2-Parts containers themselves. Can be a drawer right from the stock room. Might be a special box serving as a feed hopper.

3-Carts for bringing larger parts to the line, filled in the stock room. These carts also can move parts

from station to station.

Final concern of the company is worker comfort, a boost to efficiency. This includes posture seats, prop-

er lighting, and restful color backgrounds.

Sometimes it pays to mechanize individual work stations. This company provides small machines that fit on the panels, such as presses, molding machines, terminal staking machines, drills, and such. You can feed these with various devices: vibrating feeders, drum feeders, blade feeders, and so on. And you can link the stations by conveyors, mechanical hands, positioners, and parts orienters.

The difficulty is when to go into this type of thing. You'd probably use it if you wanted to turn out 10,000 of something. But if you needed 250,000 you might have to go into large machinery and greater floor space. This is a decision you must work out. •

EIGHT AIDS TO WORK STATION LAYOUT



Robert C. Brady

Consultant Robert C. Brady, Facilities Planning Service, says this about work station layout:

Movement's no problem; it's the accumulation. Sometimes it pays to haul material extra distance just to keep a clear work place area. Too often there's a tendency to store around production machines. Plants make a warehouse out of the station. That's no good."

He lists these planning aids for station layout:

1-Flow charts with a diagram. Give you step-by-step procedure and flow pattern,

2-Questionnaire check list. To stimulate thinking.

3-Travel charts. Get the number of movements between stations.

4-Ratio delay studies. Like work sampling studies used by quality control. Help you observe handling time, equipment usage, and so on, at random times. Give reliable information about time spent doing

5-Elemental standard times. Help you predict what equipment will do on the job.

6-Motion economy and work simplifica-

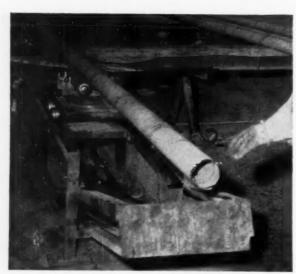
7-Standard charts, engineering tables, and other literature to fit specific needs.

8-Your own forms for collecting data and facts to analyze your work stations.

Storing at random in a large yard



SIDELOADER carries a load of pipe from the receiving shed. Crane magnet lifts pipe from railcar and balances it on sideloader's forks for a trip to yard storage.



SMALL DOLLY on a track holds pipe length while it's conveyed to the finishing table. At end of track, the dolly transfers to lower level, rolls back to the wrapping machine to repeat handling cycle.



PIPE LENGTHS roll onto the yard stack when the sideloader tilts the forks. Workers place tracks of 2 x 4s to enable the pipe to roll.

THEY STORE up to 4 million ft. of pipe in their yard and never mix a piece. Hill Hubbell Co., Youngstown, Ohio, uses tags to tell exactly where every order of pipe is.

The company coats and wraps steel pipe for corrosion protection. The pipe, used mainly for natural gas transmission, oil, and water lines, comes from steel mills. Hill Hubbell processes it, ships it on to the customers.

Hill Hubbell can wrap about 40,000 ft. a day. Sizes run from ¾-inch to 36 inches in diameter; lengths from 20 to 50 ft. The yard is 20 acres, most of which provides storage area, except for a 200 x 300 ft. processing building. Road space is 25 ft. between storage stacks in the yard.

Yard storage is random; that is, they store wherever there is room. But control is exact with load position spotted by tags on a board in the office. Similar tags go on the shipments. Orders placed side by side are kept separate by strips of lumber.

Each tag carries the Hill Hubbell specifications, an order number, the number of pieces, size of pipe, footage, car number it came in, mill it came from, and the customer who will receive it. Tags are color coded: red for pipe to be held for future release, yellow for pipe to be wrapped soon, and white for immediate processing.

To Handle the Pipe

Hill Hubbell has two 10-ton bridge cranes with interchangeable magnets or slings. There are two 10-ton Traveloaders, which lift from the side, and two lift trucks. One lift truck has a drum attachment; the other has forks. Ninety percent of the pipe comes in by railcar, the rest by truck. Processed pipe is shipped 80 percent by railcar, the rest by truck.



At receiving, a crane magnet picks up half a dozen pipe lengths from a gondola car, spotted alongside the crane run. The pipe is balanced on a sideloading truck and taken out to yard storage. Occasionally, pipe goes right to the wrapping machines, depending on how soon it's needed.

When a stored load of pipe is to be processed, sideloaders pick it up in the yard, carry it near the machines. An overhead crane lifts the pipe from the sideloaders, places it at the machines.

Handling Through Processing

The pipe first is grit blast cleaned, primed, then coated and wrapped. The completed end, lying on a dolly, moves from the machine on a track. To prepare for the wrapping machine, lengths of pipe are fastened together temporarily with insert plugs so that movement is continuous. After the wrapping, plugs are removed and lengths split apart.

Wrapped pipe then is rolled off the dolly onto a table. From here it's lifted by crane sling into a railcar or truck trailer. Sometimes it's placed on a sideloader for transfer to the outside yard and pickup by truck.

The small lift trucks are for general purpose work. The one with the drum attachment handles steel barrels of coating compound. This is stored in stacks behind the building.

Caring for the Equipment

Plant Superintendent Hollis Batey says the equipment gets hard use. That's why a regular crew is assigned to maintain it properly.

The bridge cranes are tested once a month, greased, oiled, and worn parts replaced. The sideloaders are greased monthly, oil changed every 200 hours. There's no scheduled complete overhaul. The two fork lift trucks get a regular servicing once a month.

Batey characterizes the equipment as maneuverable, dependable, and economical. In particular, he singles out the sideloaders as vital to the operation. ◆

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STACKER CRANE (left) moves up an down aisles, quickly storing incoming moterial and filling customer orders from rack 1t can handle 6,000 pounds and can stac 16 feet high. Four forks support the loa (above). Center or end forks can be folde up and the two remaining forks used alon if the size of load warrants.

Stacker crane moves

Many Businesses depend to a great extent on someone like Copper and Brass Sales, Inc. to keep them supplied with enough metal to maintain constant production.

These businesses often need delivery within 12 to 24 hours. To give it to them, Copper and Brass Sales, Inc. designed its new building from the ground up with the help of material handling specialists—manufacturers, distributors, and consultants.

Copper and Brass Sales, Inc., Cleveland, Ohio, is a metal service center furnishing manufacturers with aluminum, magnesium, stainless steel, copper, and brass. They supply it in rods, bars, tubes, coil and plate ranging from paper thin sheets to 6-inch-thick slabs. Warehouse area is 30,000 sq. ft., exclusive of office space.

Trucks drive right into the building to the shipping dock. They back up to one of two automatic dock levelers for unloading.

A fork lift truck unloads incom-

ing material from the trucks. The fork truck then spots the load directly in front of the bay in which it will be stored. Flat stock, coils, and sheets are stored in one of three racks designed by Copper and Brass Sales and made by a local steel fabricator. The racks handle 36 in. and 48 in. widths. Each rack is 16 ft. high and, depending on the thickness and weight of the stock, has 11, 13, or 15 spaces.

They palletize flat and coil stock on made-to-order heavy-duty pallets using four by four's for runners. Then they can be handled easily with the fork truck or stacker crane.

A 6,000-lb. capacity stacker crane puts flat stock, coils, and sheets into storage. It services three racks—one bay. The crane moves down the aisle and stores the material on a rack with similar metal.

The most-called-for metals are stored in the bottom racks so that the stacker crane can get it out with the least movements.

A master stock control chart,



VACUUM LIFTER picks up heavy copper slab and positions on saw bed for cutting to customer specs. Vacuum lifting doesn't scratch the metal.

orders fast

mounted permanently inside the stacker crane, tells the operator just where to store material. Also, it tells him exactly where to find material when he's filling an order.

Material going out on order is taken from the rack by the stacker crane and, if necessary, is cut to size. The stacker crane spots the metal to be cut on the floor directly in front of the saw. Some of the material to be cut is six inches thick and weighs well over 1,000 lb.

A 2,600-lb.-capacity vacuum lifter on a wall-mounted jib crane lifts the metal to the bed of the saw. The jib crane has a 20 ft. arm and swings 180° . It is placed directly between the plate saw and a slitter, and serves both.

The outstanding advantage of the vacuum lifter is that it works without hooks or grabs. And it doesn't mar the surface and edges of the metal.

Once the metal is cut or slit, the stacker crane spots it in front of a made-to-order packaging machine. The specifications for the packaging machine were drawn up by the National Association of Aluminum Distributors. But it is used for all metals in the warehouse, not just aluminum.

The rod and bar stock and tubing are stored in another bay, separate from the sheet and coil stock. A 5-ton overhead hoist, using slings and grabs, unloads it from the trucks at the dock.

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Flat-Top Pole Buildings

Flat-top pole buildings provide 21 ft. x 21 ft. interior bays, cost little. Bulletin W-390 explains why these standard structures are economical for warehousing and storage, gives specifications. Drawings reveal construction details.

> The Koppers Co., Inc. Circle 401 on Reader Service Card

Plastic Tote Boxes

Catalog describes line of plastic assembly containers and mounting accessories. Includes specifications, dimension drawings of boxes suitable for production line use and storage of small parts.

G. B. Lewis Co.

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Reciprocating-Plate **Feeders**

Bulletin 6094 tells vou what reciprocating-plate feeders are, why they are economical for feeding bulk material from bins or hoppers. Gives specifications, explains how to select feeder you need.

Chain Belt Co.

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Casters & Wheels

Polyurethane wheels are featured item in catalog CW-61, which covers maker's line of industrial, pneumatic, and precision casters and wheels. Includes caster accessories, casters and wheels meeting military specifications. Saginaw Products Corp.

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Range Drive Speed Control

How electric current frequency control governs speed of all a.c. motors in a range drive explained in Bulletin F-2028 on U.S. Varidyne. System needs no tachometers, feed-back, electronic devices. Gives stepless speed change. There's no speed drift. Applicable to material handling equipment. U.S. Electrical Motors, Inc.

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Prevents Electrocution

Insulated conductor bars for crane and monorail systems prevent hazard. Collectors used with bar give twice normal contact. Bulletin EL 1510 describes bars, insulation, provision for ends, curves, switches, etc.

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Push-Button Tape Dispenser

Push a button, and out of the electric tape dispenser comes just the length of gummed tape you want, moistened with water heated to exactly 130°. Folder on this new machine gives case histories telling how it speeds packaging for (1) an auto parts wholesealer, (2) an ice cream plant with a packaging line, (3) a contract packager, (4) a retailer.

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Two Part Rack System

With two basic parts, upright frames and stringers, you can set up racks for nearly every heavy-duty need. Eight-page Bulletin 107 explains how parts snap together without bolting, gives dimensions and capacity data for frames and stringers. Also describes skid rails, drum supports, other accessories.

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Manual on Maintenance Of Electric Fork Lift Trucks

'Servicing the Clarklift Electric" is a 94-p. manual illustrated with 189 photos and 41 color schematic electric circuits. It supplements a slide film on electric truck maintenance. The first part covers basic electrical principles, testing instruments, inspection, testing, and repair of components of Clarklift trucks. Part II gives information on operation, testing, and repair of the hydraulically-controlled carbon-pile variable resistor that controls the electric motor speed. The appendix provides complete specifications, fold-out wiring diagrams, and adjustment procedures for Clarklift electric trucks. You can get the manual from Clark dealers, or from Manual and Statistics Dept., Industrial Truck Div., Clark Equipment Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Price: \$2.00.

Staplers and Stitchers

All kinds of staplers and wire stitchers, representative of maker's line, shown in 12-p. folder. Ranges from common desk stapler to multiple-head power stitchers. Condensed information on staple sizes, capacities, speeds, power requirements, etc.

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Electric Chain Hoist Specs

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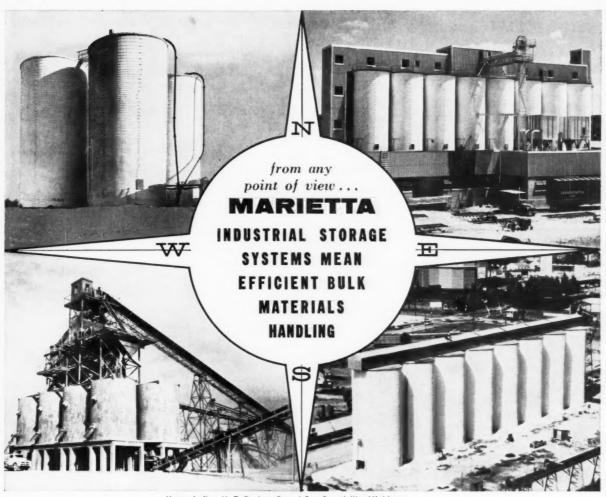


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Hoist Manufacturers' Association

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Straddle Carriers

Booklet of pictures shows versatility of straddle carriers. They handle boats, missiles, piggy-back trailers, tanks, unit load containers, pipe, concrete, steel, etc. Capacities range from 12 tons to 40 tons.

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Blister Packaging Guide

Information to help you choose and use blister packs. "Blister Packaging Facts" (24 p.) compares them with skin packs, slide and contour packs. Describes 5 plastics which can be used. Discusses card stock, adhesives, printing methods, assembly and heat sealing, and gives checklist for package planning.

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Easy-to-Erect Racks
Portfolio brings folder describing construction details of storage racks, 1-p. bulletin showing installations, and how-to-erect instruction sheet. You put racks up without tools. Adaptations for pallets and skids, barrels. reels, pipe or bars, etc., Drive-through type available.

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Aptitude Testing

Bulletin explains MHEDA aptitude tests for service managers. Tests cover material handling requirements.

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Automatic Bag Palletizer

New automatic bag palletizer handles bags fast, but gently. Construction, operation described in 10-p. bulletin. Includes diagram of floor space requirements. Machine tested with all kinds of bagged products, including

Food Machinery & Chemical Corp.

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Lift Trucks, Tractor Shovels

Sampling from the Yale line in Bulletin 602B covers gasoline, LPG, Diesel, and electric fork lift trucks, platform trucks, tractors, tractor shovels, hand trucks. All units illustrated in color, capacity range of each model given. This is a birdseye view

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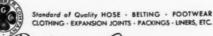
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Industrial Truck Costs

To help you make your own study of your industrial truck costs, Bulletin 6527 provides forms and data. Graphs aid in estimating all cost factors. Provides for specific comparison of propane-powered trucks with electric-powered trucks.

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Miniature air switch operated by small permanent magnet, described in Bulletin S-1. For use in totally pneumatic circuits; requires no electricity, has no striking parts. Can be used on control valves, automatic packaging equipment, conveying equipment, as limit switch, pressure switch, level switch, etc.

Associated Control Equipment, Inc.

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Run Lift Truck from Platform

Operator rides up on platform of lift truck, has full control of truck movement in any direction from platform. This speeds stocking and stockpicking from racks and shelves. Bulletin 608 describes use and safety features, gives specifications, and photos of truck and its controls.

Barrett-Cravens Co.

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Magnetic Pulleys

Put a magnetic pulley on your belt conveyor, separate tramp iron and smaller ferrous contaminants from your product. Six-page bulletin "Magnetic Pulleys" explains how to do it with permanent magnet pulleys, gives selection guide, tables of capacities and dimensions for all models.

Eriez Mfg. Co.

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New SUPER DUMPMASTER Handles Converted DUMPSTER Containers...Beats Long-Haul Problem

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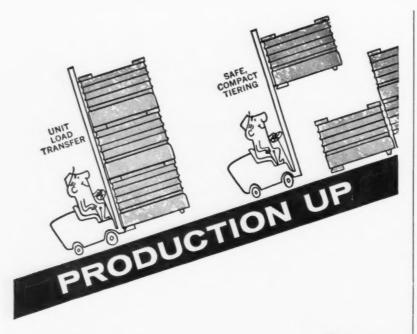
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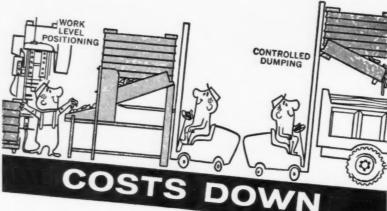
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Manual Equipment Data

Catalog 261 covers the Grizzly line. Trucks, work benches, stands, dollies, lifts, carts, etc. All items are pictured, and specifications are listed. Company line features allwelded construction. Forty-nine pages of equipment for many uses.

Pucel Enterprises, Inc.

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Measure Your Handling Efficiency

"Management Guide to Productivity" will help you expose unwarranted handling expense and prove it to management. The book is based on seven efficiency cost ratios developed by Yale & Towne in cooperation with Professor James R. Bright of the Harvard University School of Business Administration.

Yale Materials Handling Division of the Yale & Towne Manufacturing Co.

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Appliance Dollies

Entire frame of the Yeats dolly is made of tough, yet lightweight aluminum alloy. Literature features the Standard Model No. 7 and the Easy Glide Heavy Duty Model 9. Sections also on appliance covers and pads, dolly accessories.

Yeats Appliance Dolly Sales Co.

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Vacuum Cleaner

The newly introduced Parker Vac-35 cleans a complete 30" swath. Light, easily maneuverable. Literature gives specifications, points out features. Picks up everything from dust, string, cloth, metal or wood shavings, etc.

Parker Sweeper Co.

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Vibratory Feeders Catalog VB-10-1A is on the Eriez Hi-VI line of electro-permanent magnetic vibratory feeders. Used for precision feeding, spreading, sorting, aerating, cooling, sifting, mixing, etc. List of advantages, features. Application photos.

Eriez Mfg. Co.

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NEW...with twice as many lugs for twice the traction...DISOWHEEL®

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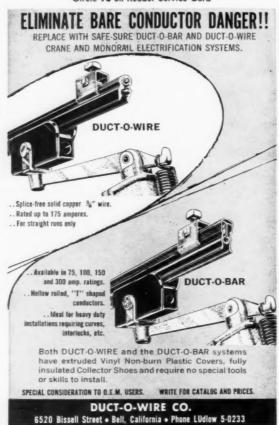
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Marking company's 50th anniversary, 6-p. folder summarizes history of wire cloth from Egyptian queen's crown, 3700 B.C., to latest developments. Shows new wire cloth slings, explains how special alloys make rod-reinforced belting resistant to extreme high temperature.

Cambridge Wire Cloth Co.

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Air-Inflated Shelters

Six pages packed with 32 photos tell what you can do with air structures—buildings made by inflating building-size plastic tents with air from a continuous blower. Shows latest developments, explains why these shelters can now be guaranteed for 4 years service. They are used for warehousing, tool rooms, manufacturing operations, as auditoriums seating 1,000 or more.

Cid Air Structures Co.

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Safety Training Kit

Kit for training fork lift truck operators in safety, includes, 4 cartoon safety posters, 4 lift truck route posters, and operator's safety guide. Guide is 32-p. pocket-size





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booklet, gives courtesy rules, safety precautions, traffic control tips, and preventive maintenance check list.

Towmotor Corp.

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Move in Narrow Aisles

Electric trucks and hydraulic hand pallet trucks built for narrow aisle use, in 16-p. catalog. On-the-job photos show applications. Gives specs. Illustrates equipment, including new triple telescopic mast.

The Raymond Corp.

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Chain Selection Chart

Chart recommends chain pitch sizes for power transmission. Gives horsepower on vertical scale, r.p.m. of small sprocket on horizontal scale.

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Lift Truck Powered Like Railroad Locomotive

Gas engine drives new GLF trucks through Series H silicone-insulated electric motor, using principle of diesel-electric locomotives. Illustrated 16-p. booklet "Facts & Factors" pictures engine, generator, drive motor, explains all features of new trucks. Gives specifications and performance data for 13 models that have capacities (at 24 in.) ranging from 1½ tons to 4 tons. Shows accessories, 3 mast options.

Automatic Transportation Co.

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Tubular Containers, Their Closures

Twenty-one varieties of cans and containers made from spirally wound paper or plastic tubing, presented in 4-p. folder. Explains uses of standard types, offers design assistance for package or label development.

The Cleveland Container Co.

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Fork Truck Specification Chart

One chart gives standard specifications for 43 models of Towmotor fork lift trucks, 4 tractors, an electric pallet truck. Condensed easy-to-read sheet folds to 8½ x 11 in.

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Power Package Stars in New Lift Truck

Two new Clarklift stand-up fork trucks have capacities of 2,000 and 2,500 lb. at 24 in. Bulletin SS-2067 emphasizes unique features of high performance power package, which has water-cooled engine, power gear shift, with torque converter, extra accessibility.

Clark Equipment Co.

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Horizontal Conveyors

Five types of horizontal powered conveyors illustrated in 8-p. bulletin. Includes wheel, roller, live-roller, belton-roller models, table conveyors, turntable conveyors. Specifications give dimensions, speeds, power needed.

The Rapids-Standard Co. Inc.

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System Loads Fast

Load a 30-ft. trailer in 3 minutes, unload it in 10, using Relae system with pallets, chutes. Folder tells how in 4 pages, also explains use of system with fork trucks (load in 30 minutes, unload in 20), and how an attachment to truck enables you to use system where there is no dock. Kappen Sales Company

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Automatic Batching Systems

Complete systems for automatic batching described in Bulletin 2964. Can weigh 20 or more ingredients into weigh hopper. Typical large installation delivers 7,000 Circle 35 on Reader Service Card



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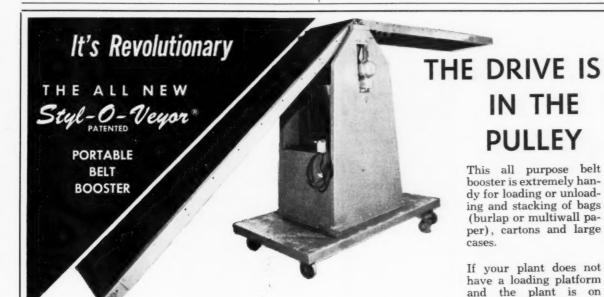
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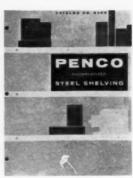
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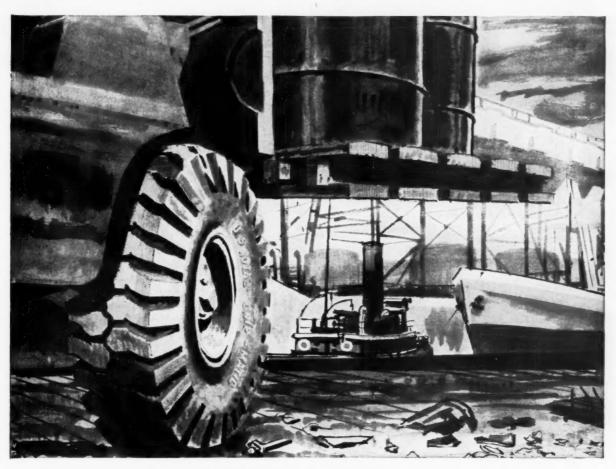
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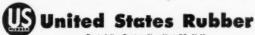
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Attachments for standard fork trucks make them into front-end loader shovels or snow plows. Booklet shows how accessories hook on, gives dimensions, capacities, ordering information.

Allen Industrial Products, Inc.

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Steel Skids, Pallets, Skid Boxes

Steel skids, rigid and collapsible skid boxes, pallets, and drum racks which also serve as pallets described in 20-p. booklet "Republic Steel Material Handling Equipment." Provides standard specifications, explains construction details, optional features.

Republic Steel Corp.

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Battery Powered Fork Truck

Bulletin SS-478 describes and illustrates the Utilitruc 7024. This battery powered fork truck has 7,000 lb capacity. Complete dimensional and engineering specifications are given. A capacity chart and a table of upright dimensions are included, along with information on power supply, speeds and grades, drive motor, drive control, brakes, and hydraulic system.

Clark Equipment Co.

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Pushbutton Parcel Sorting

Operator reads order or address on parcel, punches buttons corresponding to code number of sorting bin. Conveyor then takes package, "remembers" destination code, and delivers parcel to the right bin. This elegant equipment clearly shown by pictures and drawings in 4-p. folder.

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Comprehensive Plastics Catalog

Over 800 items, including plastic film, bags, bottles, included in 192-p. "Plastic Users' Catalog." Covers new types of plastics such as Delrin, Lexan, Polyestre, Polypropylene, Penton. Furnished to engineers and purchasing agents.

Industrial Plastic Supply Div., Industrial Safety Supply Co.

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MATERIALS-HANDLING NEWS

NEW AND UNUSUAL APPLICATIONS OF BASSICK CASTERS THAT MIGHT BE ADAPTED TO YOUR HANDLING PROBLEMS

CASTERS HELP FEED ROBOTS

in first fully automated U.S. Post Office



The latest, most advanced mail-handling devices in the U. S. are at the new "automatic" Post Office in Providence, R.I.

But hard-working Postal employees still have to move mountains of mail to the machines—and deliver it after processing. And that's where Bassick casters come in.

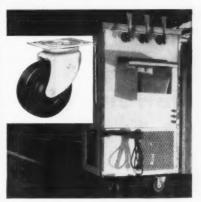
Mail sacks move quickly and easily through the Providence Post Office on this Towveyor... on reliable Bassick "S99" swivel and "S98" rigid casters.

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Blind Spot in History

Before Columbus, wheels—so important to modern life—were known only as toys, like this Aztec plaything, to the Indians of America. It was a thousand years after this toy was made before these early Americans used the "wheel" for practical purposes.



BASSICKS HELP BEAT THE HEAT HERE

This mobile beverage cooler and dispenser goes where it's needed on easy rolling, easy swiveling Bassick casters.

The Bassick "Qualecon" casters used here feature maximum caster quality at minimum cost. Recommended for hundreds of other medium-duty applications, too.

SMOOTH ROLLING ROTOGRAVURE

One of the world's largest printing companies uses these special dollies to transport rotogravure cylinders safely to the presses. Featured here are Bassick "Floating Hub" casters—the casters with built-in shock absorbers. "Floating Hubs" eliminate bounce and caster shimmy, and aid in "climbing" over minor floor obstacles. They're ideal for handling a wide variety of delicate equipment and fragile products.



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Barrett electric Palletox with power up and power down

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Push the power-down button. Pallet wheels retract completely for full clearance into the pallet. "Flying Saucer" wheels skim easily into unchamfered pallets. Push the power-up button. Up and away goes the load.

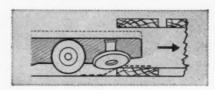
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errett exclusive: "Flying Saucer" wheels skim infered pallets—quickly, easily.

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PRODUCT

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Heavy Duty Staple Nailer Air-powered Duo-Fast S-763 staple nailer drives 2-in. staples. Made for



heavy packaging and crating. Works from magazine.

Fastener Corp.

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All-plastic Carboy

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to ship regulated chemicals without the overpack. Made from a copolymer of polyethylene, the carboy is injection-molded in two parts, then welded together. Drum-shaped, the carboy rolls and stacks easily. Outside dimensions: 174" diameter, 204" length. Empty weight: 17 lb. You use a standard polyethylene chemical pump with it.

Plastineers, Inc.

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Compact Imprinter

Cartoning machine attachment imprints control numbers, codes, prices, etc., on the bodies or flaps of folding cartons. Imprinter fits all makes of

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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING



Round Steel Strapping carries the load at Carborundum... cuts costs in half!





Slings made from strong 8-gauge USS Round Steel Strapping hoist 2500-pound palletized loads of "Ferrocarbo Briquettes" at the Electro Minerals Division of Carborundum Company. According to Mr. S. E. Eggleston, Supervising Engineer, "We needed a safer method for lifting our briquette loads. Normally, we use steel strapping just for bundling and palletizing, but we found that these preformed slings were strong enough to lift heavy loads. And the USS Model G Strapping Machine gave the right tie so the slings wouldn't break, slide, or deform. They lift, carry, and lower our loads safely and securely ... and cut our material costs by 50%."

The loads consist of 30 briquette cartons tied down by USS Round Steel Strapping . . . it makes a neat, compact package. The entire strapping operation including the lifting slings takes Carborundum only 6 minutes. Round steel strapping cuts labor time 10%, eliminates shipping delays, ends customer complaints because merchandise arrives undamaged.

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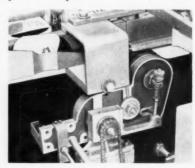
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PRODUCT NEWS

automatic cartoners. Comes in two basic styles. The 1270 imprinter applies the imprint from above, and the



1280, from below. Both are automatic, do not interfere with pushers or other parts of the cartoning machines. Full annular registration simplifies precise placement of imprints in any desired location.

Adolph Gottscho, Inc.

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New Electric Fork Truck

Stand-up electric truck features carbon pile speed control, can run at any speed from 1/100 m.p.h. to 7 m.p.h. Has extra-heavy counterbalancing frame that eliminates counterweights, makes truck stronger. High



speed lift, 40 f.p.m. with capacity 2,000 lb. load, 90 f.p.m. empty. Lift height is 130 in. Turning radius is 54 in. outside, 0 in. inside, and can turn from 60-in. aisle into 54-in. aisle with 36×36 in. load.

Lectro-Lift,

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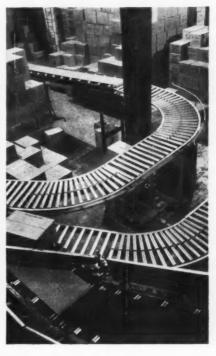
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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING





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PRODUCT NEWS

matic-tired fork trucks feature fullysynchronized friction clutch transmission. Enables truck to shift from forward to reverse without a complete stop. Eliminates gear clashing; speeds



handling on jobs needing frequent direction changes. This is a feature of the CFY-60, CFY-70, and CFY-80 trucks of 6,000, 7,000, and 8,000-lb. capacities. Designed for outside handling over piers, unpaved yards. Completes Clarklift line of pneumatic-tired equipment with capacities ranging from 2,000 to 70,000 lb. Another feature: extremely smooth hydraulic spot disc brakes; eliminate brake "grab."

Industrial Truck Division
Clark Equipment Co.
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Low Pressure Accumulation

A new low pressure live roller conveyor accumulates with a pressure of only 3½ percent of commodity weight. Belt-driven conveyor handles mixed packages without buckling or causing erratic conveyor performance. When released, packages move forward at same time; no gaps or lagging. Needs only half the horsepower normally required for equivalent-capacity accumulating live roller conveyors. Comes in seven widths, from



10½ inches to 38½ inches between frames. Pressure fails to break raw eggs (photo) suspended between 30-lb. cartons on conveyor running at 20 fpm.

Standard Conveyor Co.
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UNIT FLEET

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PAST PERFORMANCE

Handling scrap metal to-and-from stockpiles located in widely scattered areas, this 20-ton Model 1520 Mobile Crane combines one-man operation with fast travel speeds to keep material flowing smoothly to melting furnaces. This is the 5th UNIT material-handling crane for this firm, a major manufacturer of specialty steels. Purchase was made on the strength of previous fine performance of the other UNITS owned.

You, too, will find the UNIT 1520 with its interchangeable attachments—load block and hook, clamshell bucket, magnet, sling, etc.—is just the machine you need for efficient production handling of a wide variety of materials. Self-propelled, this Mobile Crane travels and works with just one engine . . . is driven and operated by just one man. With automotive-type power steering and a short turning radius, maneuverability is exceptional.

Important operating features include UNIT Torque Drive that provides regulated load handling by throttle control; an independent boom hoist, with power up and down, for safe precise handling; disc-type clutches for ease of control; simple, two pin adjustable outriggers for full stability over end or side; a heavy-duty A-frame for handling capacity loads with extended boom at long radius; and a streamlined FULL-VISION operator's cab for complete "all direction" visibility.

For lighter work, there's a the UNIT 357, a 15-ton Mobile Crane. UNIT also offers truck and crawler mounted cranes in sizes to fit any handling requirement—4 truck cranes lifting from 10 to 40 tons, 6 crawler cranes with lift capacities from $5\frac{1}{2}$ tons and up. Want more facts? Contact your UNIT distributor or write direct.



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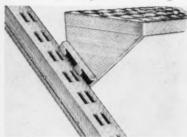


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PRODUCT NEWS ___

Stairway Uses Rack Design

A portable safety tread stairway can be erected like a rack and relocated easily. It's part of the Ridg-U-



Rak system, developed from material handling shows. Company engineers created a stairway to a platform, received so many requests about it that they designed it into the line.

Bernard Gloekler North East Co.

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Conveyor Has Side Guards

Side guards integral with frame are a feature of "Unitrough" belt convey-



ors. For handling light articles. Furnished in standard 10 ft. lengths. Belt widths are 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, and 18 in. Beds may be either steel or stainless steel.

Conveyor Specialty Co.

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Guard Against Threads

New textile casters feature a highcapacity thread guard to cut downtime and maintenance. Load ratings of 100 to 3,000 lb. per caster. Stand-



ard models come with special steel or phenolic resin wheel; also available with soft tread, hard tread rubber, and pneumatic tires.

The Rapids-Standard Co.

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MATERIAL HANDLING ENGINEERING



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These paper mill "broke" carts are loaded with up to 3000 pounds of paper, dragged over a steel-mesh-imbedded concrete floor, then pushed over on their *sides* for dumping. This side dumping procedure puts enormous strain on wheel rims—tears the heart out of solid rubber tires. But the paper manufacturer has found that his ADIPRENE wheels stand up twice as long under daily thumping, scraping, grinding treatment.

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ASSOCIATIONS

MHEDA

Latest courses scheduled at the National Material Handling Center, Newport, R. I., are as follows: Week of June 19: "Paper Industry Distribution Material Handling"; Week of July 10: 'Department Store Material Handling."

Don S. Ferguson, MHEDA president for 1961-62, presided at the final



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session of the National Convention held June 1-3 at the Denver-Hilton Hotel, Denver. Ferguson, who succeeds Robert G. Arnold as MHEDA head, is the fifth president of this

Association. He is vice president and secretary of the Robert H. Braun Co. and is in charge of all sales operations. He is a member of the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Material Handling Society since its organization and is currently a member of the board of directors. He is now serving as MHEDA Director of Region 10 (Southern California and Arizona). Ferguson was elected to the presidency at the June 2 morning session. Jack D. Patten was chairman of this year's meeting. Theme: "Better Methods For Profit."

AMHS Indianapolis Chapter recently heard Don Kelsey of the Don Kelsey Co., Detroit, speak on material handling methods inside Russia. Kelsey recently made a tour there.

Rochester Chapter was recently addressed by Frank C. Wier, president of Midstate Industrial Truck. His subject: "Men and Machines in Material Handling."

Northern California Chapter's April meeting was on "Design of Fork Truck Uprights and Hydraulic System." The lifting mechanism was taken apart to show the function of each componet. Discussion started with the elementary operations, proceeded into a semitechnical study of the mechanical and structural problems in the upright. The com-

plete hydraulic system was explained, and a review was given of the proper application of different upright designs.

Houston Chapter's April meeting was on "Labor Relations and Material Handling."

Minnesota Chapter's April meeting was on "Electricity and its Relationship to Material Handling." The program was given by Northern States Power Co. Subjects included industrial lighting and in-plant power distribution systems.

Over 200 members and wives of the Montreal Chapter recently toured new and old buildings of the Steinberg's Limited grocery distribution center in Montreal. Handling methods include a conveyor system with automatic electronic weighing gear for transporting meat and a bulk handling system of shipments onto trucks for distribution to any of the 90 Steinberg stores.

The Cleveland Chapter presented two awards for the best material handling installations made during 1960 in the non-manufacturing area. Left, Charles Engel describes the





system that brought an award to his company, General Tire & Rubber Co. Right, Harold Greenwald tells about improvements that made his system a winner at Majestic Specialities, Inc. (This distribution center was described in Flexible Handling Fills Orders, MHE, November 1960.) Certificates were presented by Awards Chairman Art Beedle.

Denver Chapter's May meeting covered "Data Processing in the Manufacturing Organization." Speaker:

P. A. Lunday of the Martin Co. He dure, stressed the importance of material control, scheduling, and dispatching.

RMI D. W. Jarke, president of Jarke Mfg. Co., has been appointed president and chairman of the board of the Rack Manufacturers' Institute.

International ICCA Corrugated Case Association was organized in Paris, France on March 17. Jerome H. Stone, executive vice president, Stone Container Corp., and president of the Fibre Box Association, was elected president. Representatives of corrugated box associations from 19 nations whose members produce about 80 percent of the world production of corrugated shipping cases were at the meeting. Other officers are: Dr. W. F. Klingele, of Heidelberg, Germany, vice president; R. du Boucheron, Paris, executive secretary for Europe; and Albert W. Luhrs, executive manager, Fibre Box Association, executive secretary, other nations. Next meeting will be held in New York City this fall.

E a s t e r n C h a p t e r's
May meeting featured an address
by Louis F. Madeira, Technical
Sales Service Section, Armstrong
Cork Co. His subject: "Successful
Package" in which he told how a
properly and scientifically designed
package cushion may be expected
to perform efficiently and protect
the cushioned item from damage.

tons during the first quarter of 1961 declined 5.3 percent from the same period last year. Decreases from 3 to 9 percent in dollar volume were recorded in each of the three months. Tonnage was off similarly. Industry volume for the quarter is estimated at \$220.8 million with 547,100 tons shipped.



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The strength comes from seven individual preformed Roegal wire ropes — ropes made by Roebling expressly for use in cable-laid slings. In addition, the tapered sleeve splice develops the full catalog strength of the sling body. And the special galvanized finish provides corrosion-resistance without any reduction of the wire rope's tensile strength or toughness.

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INDUSTRY **NEWS**

Schirmer Elected Executive VP at Clark Equipment Co.

Walter E. Schirmer has been elected executive vice president for Clark



Equipment Co. He has been with the company 24 years, has been a vice president since 1958. He also has been president of Clark Equipment International, C.A. since 1958

Schirmer will work with George Spatta, president, in the overall management of Clark, with his efforts directed to domestic and international operations. A graduate engineer and a lawyer, Schirmer's first position with Clark in 1937 was as head of the legal department. He subsequently was executive assistant to the president during World War II and sales manager and vice president of the Industrial Truck Division.

The executive vice presidency office had been vacant since Spatta was promoted from that position to the presidency in 1945.

Caterpillar Tractor Co. **Announces Executive Changes**





Caterpillar Tractor Co. announces the appointment of three executives to new positions upon the retirement of two vice presidents. The changes were effective June 1.

Retiring were Gail E. Spain, who had adminstrative responsibility for foreign marketing, and Henry H. Howard, in charge of the company's Engine Division.

Vice President W. J. McBrian succeeds Spain and also becomes president of the subsidiary companies, Caterpillar Americas and Caterpillar of Delaware.

Lee L. Morgan succeeds Howard and also assumes administrative responsibility for the company's Defense Products Department. E. C. Chapman, formerly assistant sales development manager, succeeds Morgan as manager of sales develop-

Alvey Conveyor Forms New Export Division

To better serve foreign markets and customers, a special division for handling all export sales has been established by the Alvey Conveyor Mfg. Co. This division will be headed by Ernest Auerbacher who has been with the company for 15 years.

C. K. Aaron Heads Wayne Pump Canada

Charles K. Aaron has been named president of Wayne Pump Canada

Limited. Mr. Aaron was formerly assistant to A. E. Trafford-Owen, whom he succeeds.

The Canadian company, a subsidiary of The Wayne Pump Company Division of Syming-



ton Wayne Corp. makes a complete line of service station equipment and industrial lifting equipment.

Aaron has been with the company since 1952. Mr. Trafford-Owen, who retired March 31, has returned to his native England.

Conco Engineering Expansion Takes In Chicago Tramrail Corp.

Conco Engineering Works, Inc., a subsidiary of H. D. Conkey & Co. has purchased the business and manufacturing facilities of the Chicago Tramrail Corp.

The new acquisition will operate as the Chicago Tramrail Division of Conco Engineering Works, Inc. Purchase of the Chicago Tramrail Corp. coincides with the retirement of Claude Riemenschneider, founder and president of Chicago Tramrail.

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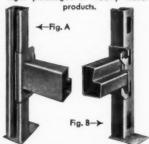


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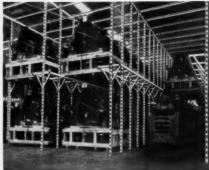
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Hough Co. Appoints Assistant to Ad Manager

John C. Miller has been appointed assistant to the advertising manager



at the Frank G. Hough Co. For the last four years, he was advertising manager for the W. L. Ballentine Co., Ltd., with headquarters in Toronto, Ontario.

Madison L. Crawford is manager of advertising and sales promotion. R. E. Connolly continues as assistant ad manager.

Martin Heads Detroit Hoist and Machine Co.

George B. Martin has been elected president of Detroit Hoist and Machine Co. He succeeds A. S. Watson, who has retired after 51 years' company service.

Watson has been appointed chairman of the board and will continue his interest in company affairs. T. R. Fleming was re-elected vice president and Miss Bertha A. Hinman, secretary. R. W. Fleming was elected treasurer.

James A. Western, chief engineer, and Vernon A. Fulton, sales manager, were elected corporation directors.

OBITUARY

Frank S. Carlile, 72, co-founder of C & D Batteries, died March 30 after suffering a heart attack in Valpariso, Chile. He was on a vacation cruise with Mrs. Carlile.

Mr. Carlile, with the late Leon A. Doughty, founded the firm "Carlile & Doughty" in 1906. He had been active in the company up to the start of his vacation. He had been board chairman from the time of Mr. Doughty's death in May, 1957 until Sept. 1959 when the company became C & D Batteries, Div. The Electric Autolite Co. Since then, he had been serving as a consultant.

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Appointments of Ervin J. Osterhus as executive vice president and Walter J. Hood as vice president-engineering are announced by Designers

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1942. Hood, who was project manager, joined the company in 1951.

Hewitt-Robins Appoints Cleveland District Manager

J. E. Van Stone has been appointed Cleveland district manager for Hew-

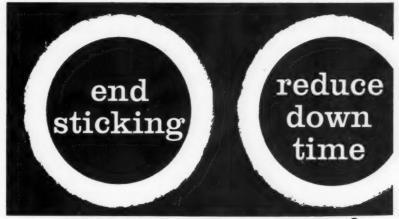


Van Stone

itt-Robins Inc. He was formerly in charge of sales in the Salt Lake City area.

In his new capacity, he has responsibility for the marketing of the company's conveyor machinery, power transmission equipment, and industrial rubber products.

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INDUSTRY

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Brooks & Perkins, Inc. Names Research & Engineering Head

Dr. Stuart T. Ross has been named vice president of research and en-



Ross

gineering for Brooks & Perkins, Inc. He joins the company from the Aeronutronic Division, Ford Motor Co. He has over 15 years' experience in materials research and engineering.

Dr. Ross has several patents concerning the coating and heat treatment of aluminum and magnesium base allovs.

Oxy-Catalyst Establishes Industrial Department An industrial department, respon-

An industrial department, responsible for the marketing of all its industrial products, has been formed by Oxv-Catalyst, Inc.

Named manager is C. T. Hayes. He has been with the company in various engineering and sales positions since 1951.

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National Vulcanized Fibre Completes Fisher Merger

National Vulcanized Fibre Co. has merged with Fisher Mfg. Co., Inc. of Hartwell, Ga. This is the second acquisition by National in 18 months. In 1959, it acquired Parsons Paper Co. of Holyoke, Mass.

Terms of the purchase called for an exchange of 17,000 shares of National Vulcanized Fibre stock for 1.000 shares of Fisher stock.

Logan Co. Appoints Directors For New York Operations Richard B. Frodge and James C.

Adams will direct New York operations for the Logan Co.

Frodge joins Logan with 15 years experience in the conveyor business.





Recently he headed his own engineering firm of conveyor specialists. Adams has been a sales engineer

for 12 years with a broad knowl-

edge of industrial processes, including electronics.

Geer Named Chief Engineer

Erickson Power Lift Trucks, Inc. has appointed Henry G. Geer its chief



engineer. He is in charge of design and engineering of all Erickson standard and special equipment, including lift trucks, platform trucks, and job-tailored material handling equipment.

Geer was formerly a project engineer in special machines design at Minnesota Engineering Co.

Producton Service Co. Forms Material Handling Division

J. A. Gibbons has been named general manager of Prosco Equipment Co., a new division of Production Service Co., Cleveland. The new company will specialize in the sale of material handling and related equipment in northern Ohio.

Hyster Co. Appointments

Two key positions at Hyster Company's general offices in Portland, Circle 149 on Reader Service Card

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INDUSTRY NEWS

Oregon have been filled. William H. Peterson has been named manager, training and planning; and Charles A. Richmond has been appointed personnel manager, general office group.

Bemis Names Personnel Director

E. F. Muehlhausen is new director of personnel for Bemis Bro. Bag Co.



Muchihausen

Deaderick, vice president and director of personnel who retired Jan. 31. Muehlhausen has

He succeeds F. V.

been with Bemis since 1943. He was transferred to the general personnel

department in St. Louis in 1953.

Connell Named Acme Steel Division Sales Manager

Hugh D. Connell has been named division sales manager, Acme Steel



Products Division of Acme Steel Co.

Connell joined Acme Steel in 1947 as a sales engineer. He became manager of project engineering in the New Products and Improvement Divi-

sion in 1956. He was named manager of engineering sales in 1960. He will also manage the division's field sales organization.

Hewitt-Robins Sales Post

C. L. Frost has been appointed manager of distributor sales of Hewitt-Robins, Inc. Frost was formerly a regional sales manager, and the company's advertising manager.

Hyster Co. Makes International Appointments

Three district representative assignments have been made within Hyster Company's International Divi-

Frank W. Burdell will headquarter in Singapore, cover the Far East; Russell L. Quesada will reside in Bogota, Colombia; and cover northern South



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Clarke's Power Sweeper Division Names Sales Manager

C. J. (Dixie) Madeck has been appointed sales manager of Clarke Floor Machine Co's Power Sweeper Division. He was a former field representative.

Yale & Towne Names Regional Sales Manager

Edward D. Gorton and Samuel S. Rockwood have been appointed Eastern and Western regional sales man-



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agers, respectively, for the Trojan tractor shovel line of The Yale & Towne Mfg. Co.

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Reidy Appointed Manager of Equipment Tire Sales

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Reidy

1957, has been appointed manager of equipment tire sales for B. F. Goodrich Tire Co. He succeeds Russell E. Montgomery. Montgomery was recently named managing director of B. F.

Goodrich Australia, Pty. Limited.
Reidy joined B. F. Goodrich as
a stenographer in the labor relations

a stenographer in the labor relations department while attending the University of Akron. He later worked in the company's chemical research laboratory.

American Viscose Opens Southwestern Sales Office

American Viscose Corp., Philadelphia, has opened its first Southwestern District Sales Office for its new Industrial Packaging Department in Dallas. District manager is Philip Raley.

The Dallas office is the 9th district sales office opened in major cities by the department since Avistrap was first announced early in 1960.

Faultless Caster Forms New Section

Faultless Caster Corp. has established a new product development section. Named engineers in the new



Rutsch



Stollman

section are Richard W. Butsch and Irving Stollman.

Butsch has been with the company 11 years. Two years ago, he was promoted to sales manager of the Hardware Division. Stollman joined the company as a special consultant last summer. He formerly worked as an industrial designer for Chevrolet Division of General Motors, and for the Ford Motor Co.

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Distributor News and Company Reps

Thomas Truck & Caster Co. has made three territorial appointments. Lee H. Long Associates, Inc., Welleslev Hills, Mass. now cover the New England trading area. The Murray Equipment Co., Denver, are representatives for Colorado and southeastern Wyoming. S. L. Cooper & Associates, Washington, D.C. are industrial and government representatives.

Saginaw Products Corp. has named R. J. Benson as New York district manager. He is in charge of the company's new eastern sales office at 560 S. Broadway, Hicksville, Long Island, N.Y.

The Raymond Corp. has named Robert Abel & Co., Inc. distributor for its industrial trucks in the Boston area.

Alvey Conveyor Mfg. Co. has added two material handling engineers to the staff of its Westboro, Mass. office. They are Dan Uebelhack and Bruce LaPierre. The office serves the New England states.

Wayne Mfg. Co. has appointed Harold C. Clark as Chicago branch manager. He replaces Ken L. Harvey who has been transferred to company headquarters in Pomona, Calif. Clark is well-known in the heavy equipment industry. He served in sales executive positions for J. I. Case, Gar-Wood Industries and Curtiss-Wright's Diesel Engine Division.

Harnischfeger Corp. of Milwaukee has appointed the Dalworth Machinery Co. of Dallas as dealer for P & H construction and mining prodnets.

K-W Battery Co. has appointed Abernathy & Company as exclusive sales representative for Los Angeles and surrounding counties.

Stanley Steel Strapping, division of The Stanley Works, has appointed Frederic C. Faulkner sales representative in Northern New Jersey. William Paschall will cover most of Arkansas, and parts of Tennessee and Mississippi.

Oxy-Catalyst, Inc., has appointed Otepka Associates, Illinois; The A. A. Betts Co., Southern Ohio and Kentucky; F. R. Magill Co., Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia; Philip E. Chambers, Indiana; John J. Connell Co., Inc., Eastern Missouri and Southern Illinois; and Joseph H. Nook and Associates, Northern Ohio.

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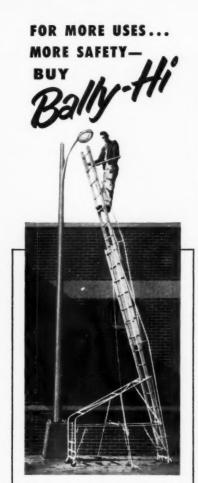
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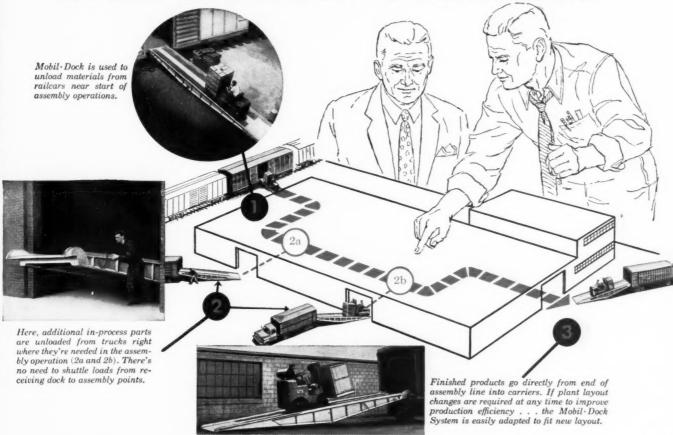
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